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OLD SETTLER DEAD

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HE LIVED FOR 71 YEARS

In the Same Place in Macon County - Cast His First Vote For Van Buren Mrs. N. Laux Dead

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The funeral will be at Harmon Wednesday from the Methodist church. The services will be conducted by Rev. W. L. Bank of the Mound assisted by Rev. D. W. Cook of Decatur.

MRS. N. LAUX.

William Dunn has received the news of the death of his sister Mrs. Nicholas Laux of Cuthbert, Ga. The telegram stated that Mrs. Laux died at 8 Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Laux were married in Decatur years ago and were well known here. Mr. Laux is a brother of Clark Laux, formerly proprietor of the St. Nicholas hotel. Mrs. James Cole and Mrs. Wm. Washington are sisters of Mrs. Laux. She also leaves children by a former husband, two sons. They are Willie, Arthur, Charles and Frank. Mr. Willie Laux visited in Decatur last summer and is known to many.

SURPRISED MRS. COLLADAY.

Marriage and Birthday Anniversary Remembered by Her Many Friends.

Few people who have reached the 50th anniversary of their married life have celebrated the occasion in more auspicious manner than did Mr. Walter I. Colladay in Decatur. Yesterday was not only the anniversary of her marriage, but also her birthday anniversary, and her friends decided to remind her of the occasion in a manner not to be forgotten. Accordingly at 5 o'clock they descended upon her in force into her home south of the city, and in the presence of a number of her friends they completely surprised her. After the excitement had subsided it was found that there were present a sufficient number to form two tables, at which the evening was devoted to the game of 500. Refreshments were served. Those present were: Mesdames O. L. Crim, A. R. Montgomery, E. D. Caldwell, W. B. Hostetter, W. C. Armstrong, Fenton Blackstone, E. W. Hamer, J. A. Meriweather, J. P. Tullis, George W. Jenkins, W. B. Abbott, Ed Carter and W. J. Quirlin.

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David Felemy,

The next speaker introduced was David Felemy of Normal, who spoke on the subject, "Problem of the Country Schools." The speaker said that his remarks might not meet with approval of the farmers, but that he was himself a practical farmer for the first 21 years of his life. He spoke of the decay of the country schools and said that the wealthier farmers were moving to the city to educate their children. The speaker said that the county superintendent if an honest, well educated man, was a strong lever in the country schools. Another advantage was that a regular course of study had been introduced in the country schools and it had proved to be a great benefit. But nevertheless the country schools had gone down very much. Continuing the speaker said: "Education should equip a man so that he be able to follow some pursuit in life. The schools should fit the farmer's boy or girl to rapidly acquire skill in agriculture when he enters that business. Education should give a knowledge of the world. Educational training fills the boy or girl full of knowledge of the world in which they live and not to crowd them with unnecessary knowledge which will lead them away from the life surrounding them. What the schools lack is purpose. At medical and law schools the students have a distinct end ahead of them. There is a good deal of talk that every young man or woman should be able to enjoy literature and music. No one denies this but it should not be made the primary object. The greatest enjoyment in life does not come from knowledge of things which we never touch. I believe it is the knowing about the things in which we live that makes life worth living. The town school tends to spoil the sons and daughters of farmer for the pursuit of farming. The surroundings are such that their interests are directed along other lines.

"The country school should give the fullest knowledge of the farm life. The same studies of the city schools should be given in the country schools, but they should be given in a different way. Above all the children in the country schools should be taught natural history. They should be encouraged to learn all they can about the plants that grow in their district. All plants have a purpose. The children should be taught these things and also the relations of the plants to the soil. They should be taught some thing of the chemistry of soil and how the soil breathes. These things taught to a boy will make his daily toil interesting and he will associate his work with these great laws that govern plant life.

"I would have the boy learn about the birds and insects. A boy who had studied the insects would be better able to fight the parasites in corn, sheep or hogs.

"How can we bring all this about? First the farmers must want such instruction in the country schools. As a general rule they do not want it and do not think that there is any knowledge to be gained in connection with agriculture. There are in Illinois 10,000 farms and last year not two dozen young men attended the agricultural college at Champaign. If farmers themselves believed that such instruction was needed they would get it in their school. Then we must have a teacher who understands these things. For the assistance of the pupils we should have a school garden where the different variety of plants could be grown. Well flowers and common field crops could be grown and the child could see for himself the growth of the plants. I would also have grown in the school yard all the finest flowers if we had a teacher who could teach the children how to attend them. The result would be that every farm in the county would be ablaze with beautiful flowers. As it is now it makes one's heart sick to pass through a community of tenant farms and see the lack of those beauties which tend to lift one out of the daily toil.

Mr. Felemy spoke of the importance of a good school library composed of well selected books. If a boy of 18 reads he will be reading at 60, but if he is not a reading man when young he will never be a reading man. He said that the studies in the country schools be taught so as to center on the farm and explained in detail how this should be done. Mr. Felemy made a rather eloquent close to his address in explaining that not the man who owned the most land, but the one who appreciated it was the one who enjoyed life.

The address by Mr. Felemy was one of the most interesting and best delivered that has yet been given at the institute.

WANT A CHANGE

Traveling Men Have Grown Weary of "Sebastian's Dream."

ROCKFORD, ILL., January 25.—Rockford Council, No. 119, United Commercial Travelers of America, which entertains the grand council here in May, has adopted strong resolutions protesting against the continuance of the present Sebastian system of interchangeable mileage, declaring it unwieldly and inconvenient for the use of commercial travelers, and urging the Western Passenger association to issue for the use of traveling men 1000 mile interchangeable mileage books, good on all trains on roads of the association, the books to be sold at $25 with a rebate of $15, and the photograph of the purchaser to be in each book preventing manipulation by scalpers and affording protection to the roads from fraud. There is a strong sentiment in favor of the 1000 mile book among the large number of commercial men who travel out of Rockford and the matter will be brought up at the meeting of the grand council here in May.

THE WAVERLY BANK.

JACKSONVILLE, ILL., January [illegible].—In the United States circuit court at Springfield Judge Allen rendered a decision affecting the Bank of Waverly in this county. Some months ago the bank failed and an assignee was appointed. Subsequently some of the directors went before the court with a petition for voluntary bankruptcy. The case has been under advisement for 10 days and the decision today throws the institution into bankruptcy. This means that the assignee has no legal rights and that all sales of property he has made are invalid.

NEW MEMBERS

Hon. W. A. Rodenburg Now in Washington City.

WASHINGTON, January 25.—W. A. Rodenburg of East St. Louis, Ill., who will succeed in the next House the renowned and venerable John Baker is at the Riggs. The new comer from Col. W. R. Morrison's old district is a young man of fine appearance and pleasing address. He is a native of the district he represents and by profession a lawyer. "My constituents," said Mr. Rodenburg, "owing to the presence of a large German element, are strong believers in sound money. Many Germans who formerly invariably voted the Democratic ticket have come over to our side because of their dislike for the free silver issue and there is little doubt of their remaining with us permanently. The Republicans, however, have a very great disadvantage in Illinois owing to the unfair gerrymander of the districts by the Democrats when they had control of the Legislature. It looks as if meant upon us to carry the state by a tremendous majority in order to have a majority in the Congressional delegation."

DEWEY'S ANSWER

Response to a Letter of Inquiry on England's Imperial Policy

LONDON, Jan. 25.—Hamilton Brown, editor of the British Realm, has received a letter from Admiral Dewey dated Manila, Dec. 18, in response to a request for an expression on Great Britain's imperial policy. The Admiral says: "After many years of wandering I have come to the conclusion that the mightiest factor in the civilization of the world is the imperial policy of England."

—Judge W. G. Cochran of Sullivan was in the city today on his way home from Clinton, where yesterday he adjourned circuit court for the term.

The Woman's Exchange on North Main street will serve dinner and supper on Saturday, February 4.

PRESIDENT IMPATIENT

Crisis in the Philippines Calls for Action.

PEACE TREATY RATIFICATION

Is Absolutely Essential -Need of Declaration of U. S. Sovereignty in the Islands—Army Can Win Out.

WASHINGTON, January 25.—Assertion of the sovereignty of the United States over the Philippines may be precipitated not only by the political crisis in the archipelago, but by the necessity of occupying Iloilo on account of the danger of an epidemic of disease resulting from the retention of General Miller's soldiers aboard the transports.

It has developed that the president feel he cannot wait much longer on the Senate. There is reason to believe that unless that body shall shortly ratify the treaty instructions will be sent to Admiral Dewey and General Otis either to withdraw Miller's expedition or to assert the supremacy of the United States peacefully if possible, forcibly if necessary.

There are three factors in the Philippine situation which are forcing the administration to action—first, Aguinaldo's hostile attitude and the constant growth of his army; second, the danger of smallpox on board the transports which are the prisons of Miller's expedition to Iloilo; third, danger of the recognition of the Philippine republic by foreign governments, especially Germany and France.

Conditions Critical.

There is no longer any concealment in administration circles of the critical condition of affairs in the archipelago. General Otis' reports describe the menacing attitude which Aguinaldo and his followers have assumed. Worse than this is his expressed fear that an epidemic will break out among the troops of Miller's command. Already a number of cases have appeared, the result of cooping men up in ships in such a hot climate.

There are 400 men on the ships. The report that they had been landed is untrue. All that General Miller is able to do is to land the men in small squads who do such little exercise, hardly enough to stretch their legs, are compelled to return to their ships. They cannot go far from shore because of the danger of conflict with natives.

The president's instructions require that a crisis be avoided at all hazards. His instructions were sent January 2 and were due to the president that he should take no action until the treaty of peace is ratified. He places the blame for the sickness among the troops as well as for the development of Aguinaldo's army, directly at the door of those who have fought the ratification of the treaty.

Senate's Delay.

So long as the United States is divided on the question of the acquisition of the Philippines just so long he said will the Filipinos continue their present tactics and the result will be, if there should be greater delay, that Aguinaldo may even after such ratification decline to recognize the sovereignty of the United States and precipitate a conflict.

It may therefore be stated that the president does not want the treaty to go over for consideration at an extra session. He wants ratification, and he wants it now.

Secretary Lopez of the Filipino junta called at the state department and unofficially presented a statement practically reiterating the previous arguments advanced by the Filipinos for independence. Secretary Hay said that he had not read the communication and no attention will be paid to it.

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"Money is now tied up in corn and the town made poor whereas if the corn had been fed to sheep the farmer would have made money. There are probably many here who have raised sheep and suffered losses on account of dogs. In this age of barb wire fences it is an easy matter to fence out the dogs. As for the parasites we are rapidly beginning to learn more about the diseases of sheep. If sheep were raised on Macon county land we would be more prosperous."

David Felemy,

The next speaker introduced was David Felemy of Normal, who spoke on the subject, "Problem of the Country Schools." The speaker said that his remarks might not meet with approval of the farmers but that he was himself a practical farmer for the first 24 years of his life. He spoke of the decay of the country schools and said that the wealthier farmers were moving to the city to educate their children. The speaker said that the county superintendent is an honest, well educated man, was a strong lever in the country schools. Another advantage was that a regular course of study had been introduced in the country schools and it had proved to be a great benefit. But nevertheless the country schools had gone down very much. Continuing the speaker said: "Education should equip a man so that he be able to follow some pursuit in life. The schools should fit the farmer's boy or girl to rapidly acquire skill in agriculture when he enters that business. Education should give a knowledge of the world. Educational training fills the boy or girl full of knowledge of the world in which they live and not to crowd them with unnecessary knowledge which will lead them away from the life surrounding them. What the schools lack is purpose. At medical and law schools the students have a distinct end ahead of them. There is a good deal of talk that every young man or woman should be able to enjoy literature and music. No one denies this but it should not be made the primary object. The greatest enjoyment in life does not come from knowledge of things which we never touch. I believe it is the knowing about the things in which we live that makes life worth living. The town school tends to spoil the sons and daughters of farmers for the pursuit of farming. The surroundings are such that their interests are directed along other lines.

"The country school should give the fullest knowledge of the farm life. The same studies of the city schools should be given in the country schools but they should be given in a different way. Above all the children in the country schools should be taught natural history. They should be encouraged to learn all they can about the plants that grow in their district. All plants have a purpose. The children should be taught these things and also the relations of the plants to the soil. They should be taught something of the chemistry of soil and how the soil breathes. These things taught to a boy will make his daily toil interesting and he will associate his work with these great laws that govern plant life.

"I would have the boy learn about the birds and insects. A boy who had studied the insects would be better able to fight the parasites in corn, sheep or hogs.

"How can we bring all this about? First the farmers must want such instruction in the country schools. As a general rule they do not want it and do not think that there is any knowledge to be gained in connection with agriculture. There are in Illinois 100,000 farms and last year not two dozen young men attended the agricultural college at Champaign. If farmers themselves believed that such instruction was needed they would get it in their schools. Then we must have a teacher who understands these things. For the assistance of the pupils we should have a school garden where the different variety of plants could be grown. Wild flowers and common field crops could be grown and the child could see for himself the growth of the plants. I would also have grown in the school yard all the finest flowers if we had a teacher who could teach the children how to attend them. The result would be that every farm in the county would be ablaze with beautiful flowers. As it is now it makes one sick to pass through a community of tenant farms and see the lack of the beauties which tend to lift one out of the daily toil."

Mr. Felemy spoke of the importance of a good school library composed of well selected books. If a boy of 18 reads he will be reading at 60, but if he is not a reading man when young he will never be a reading man. He said that the studies in the country schools be taught so as to center on the farm and explained in detail how this should be done. Mr. Felemy made a rather eloquent close to his address in explaining that not the man who owned the most land, but the one who appreciated it was the one who enjoyed life.

The address by Mr. Felemy was one of the most interesting and best delivered that has yet been given at the institute.

WANT A CHANGE

Traveling Men Have Grown Weary of "Sebastian's Dream."

ROCKFORD, ILL., January 25.—Rockford Council, No. 119, United Commercial Travelers of America, which entertains the grand council here in May, has adopted strong resolutions protesting against the continuance of the present Sebastian system of interchangeable mileage, declaring it unwieldly and inconvenient for the use of commercial travelers, and urging the Western Passenger association to issue for the use of traveling men 3000 mile interchangeable mileage books, good on all trains on roads of the association the books to be sold at $25, with a rebate of $10, and the photograph of the purchaser to be in each book, preventing manipulation by scalpers and affording protection to the roads from fraud. There is a strong sentiment in favor of the 3000 mile book among the large number of commercial men who travel out of Rockford, and the matter will be brought up at the meeting of the grand council here in May.

THE WAVERLY BANK.

JACKSONVILLE, ILL., January 25.—In the United States circuit court at Springfield Judge Allen rendered a decision affecting the Bank of Waverly, in this county. Some months ago the bank failed and an assignee was appointed. Subsequently some of the directors went before the court with a petition for voluntary bankruptcy. The case has been under advisement for 10 days and the decision today throws the institution into bankruptcy. This means that the assignee has no legal rights and that all sales of property he has made are invalid.

NEW MEMBERS

Hon. W. A. Rodenburg Now in Washington City.

WASHINGTON, January 25.—W. A. Rodenburg of East St. Louis, Ill., who will succeed in the next House the renowned and venerable John Baker is at the Riggs. The new comer from Col. W. R. Morrison's old district is a young man of fine appearance and pleasing address. He is a native of the district he represents and by profession a lawyer. My constituent said Mr. Rodenburg, owing to the presence of a large German element, are strong bolters in sound money. Many Germans who formerly invariably voted the Democratic ticket have come over to our side because of their dislike for the free silver issue and there is little doubt of their remaining with us permanently. The Republicans however are at a very great disadvantage in Illinois owing to the unfairness of the districts by the Democrats when they had control of the Legislature. It makes it necessary for us to carry the state by a tremendous majority in order to have a majority in the Congressional delegation."

DEWEY'S ANSWER

Response to a Letter of Inquiry on England's Imperial Policy.

LONDON, Jan. 25.—Hamilton Brown, editor of the British Realm, has received a letter from Admiral Dewey dated Manila, Dec. 18, in response to a request for an expression on Great Britain's imperial policy. The Admiral says: "After many years of wandering I have come to the conclusion that the mightiest factor in the civilization of the world is the imperial policy of England."

—Judge W. G. Cochran of Sullivan was in the city today on his way home from Clinton where yesterday he adjourned circuit court for the term.

The Woman's Exchange on North Main street will serve dinner and supper on Saturday, February 4.

PRESIDENT IMPATIENT

Crisis in the Philippines Calls for Action.

PEACE TREATY RATIFICATION

Is Absolutely Essential Need of Declaration of U. S. Sovereignty in the Islands—Army Can Win Out.

WASHINGTON, January 25.—Assertion of the sovereignty of the United States over the Philippines may be precipitated not only by the political crisis in the archipelago, but by the necessity of occupying Iloilo on account of the danger of an epidemic of disease resulting from the retention of General Miller's soldiers aboard the transports.

It has developed that the president feels he cannot wait much longer on the Senate. There is reason to believe that unless that body shall shortly ratify the treaty instructions will be sent to Admiral Dewey and General Otis either to withdraw Miller's expedition or to assert the supremacy of the United States peacably if possible, forcibly if necessary.

There are the elements in the Philippine situation which are forcing the administration to action: first, Aguinaldo's hostile attitude and the constant growth of his army; second, the danger of smallpox on board the transports, which are the prisons of Miller's expedition to Iloilo; third, danger of the recognition of the Philippine republic by foreign governments, especially Germany, as viewed by the administration.

Conditions Critical.

There is no longer any concealment in administration circles of the critical condition of affairs in the archipelago. General Otis' reports describe the menacing attitude which Aguinaldo and his followers have assumed. Worse than this is his expressed fear that an epidemic will break out among the troops of Miller's command. Already a number of cases have appeared, the result of cooping men up in ships in such a hot climate.

There are 3000 men on the ships. The report that they had been landed is untrue. All that General Miller is able to do is to send the men in small squads who after a little exercise hardly enough to stretch their legs are compelled to return to their ships. They cannot go far from shore because of the danger of conflict with natives.

The president's instructions require that a crisis be avoided at all hazards. These instructions were sent January 2, and were due to the president's belief that he should take no action until the treaty of peace is ratified. He places the blame for the situation upon the Senate, which for the development of Aguinaldo's army, lay at the door of the senators who have fought the ratification of the treaty.

Senate's Delay.

So long as the United States is divided on the question of the acquisition of the Philippines just so long heard will the Filipinos continue their present attitudes and the result will be if there should be greater delay that Aguinaldo may even after such ratification decline to recognize the sovereignty of the United States and precipitate a conflict.

It may therefore be stated that the president does not want the treaty to go over for consideration at an extra session. He wants ratification, and he wants it now.

Secretary Lopez of the Filipino junta called at the state department and unofficially presented a statement practically reiterating the previous arguments advanced by the Filipinos for independence. Secretary Hay said that he had not read the communication and no attention will be paid to it.

The administration purposes to ignore the Filipinos in Washington, believing that the proper means of communication with them is not by a representative here but through General Otis at Manila.

OLD SETTLER DEAD

William C. Smith Passed Away on Monday.

HE LIVED FOR 71 YEARS

In the Same Place in Macon County. Cast His First Vote For Van Buren. Mrs. N. Laux Dead.

William C. Smith an old settler of Macon county died at 4 p. m. Monday, January ... at his home in South Wheatland township. He has been ill for a period of six months. His death was not the oldest resident in the county and was known to hundreds in the county. He had resided in the county from his birth to this date, with the exception of a few months. He was a farmer, member of the Methodist church and had been a member of it ever since the Methodist church was organized.

Mr. Smith was born in Rutherford county, Tenn., ... miles from Nashville, July ..., 1827. His grandfather, Robert Smith, was in the revolutionary war. Robert Smith, his father, married William C. Smith, was born in Cumberland county, N. C. He was a hunter in the war of 1812. He married his family to Macon county and married for a second time in Sangamon county. In 1839 he came to Macon county and built a cabin of two rooms on the site of the present home of the family. Though a county was then unorganized, Mr. Smith entered over ... acres of land in different parts of the county.

In the early days he was the witness of many things. He saw the county from a wilderness into a highly cultivated farming district. In 1851 he married to Miss Lucy J. Pickett, near Mount Gilead church. The wife died leaving six children. In 1854 he was married a second time to Mrs. Mary E. Smith, who survives him, together with the following children: Attorney John W. Smith of Decatur, William R. H. Smith, Sarah E. Martin, all of Macon county, and Attorney Willis Smith of Chicago. All of the children were present at the death of their father except John W. Smith, who was unable to be present. Mr. Smith was a Democrat and cast his first vote for Van Buren. He held little political office.

The funeral will be at the M. E. church Wednesday from the Methodist church. The services will be conducted by Rev. W. L. Davidson of the Mount Gilead church, assisted by Rev. D. W. Cleek of Decatur.

MRS. N. LAUX.

William Dunn received the news of the death of his sister, Mrs. Nancy Laux, of Tuscola, Ill., by telegram stating that Mrs. Laux died at 8 o'clock Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Laux were married in Decatur 30 years ago and were well known here. Mr. Laux is a brother of Charles Laux, formerly proprietor of the St. Nicholas hotel. Mrs. James Greenwood, Warren avenue, is a sister of Mrs. Laux. She also leaves three children and two sons. They are Lillie A., Mellie, Charles and Earl M. Lillie Laux visited in Decatur last summer and is known here.

SURPRISED MRS. COLLADAY.

Marriage and Birthday Anniversary Remembered by Her Many Friends.

A few people who have received the announcements of their married life have celebrated the occasion in a more emphatic manner than did Mr. and Mrs. Walter Colladay last evening. The surprise was not only the 1st anniversary of their marriage, but also her birthday anniversary, and her friends had taken pains to remind her of the occasion in a fitting manner. According to the talk last evening they succeeded in driving into the heart of the young lady a feeling of a tribute of respect from ... and taking her completely by surprise. After the event had subsided it was found there were just a sufficient number present for two tables of six handsome and the evening was devoted to this pastime. Refreshments were served. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Gerin, A. R. Montgomery, F. D. Caldwell, W. B. Hostetler, W. C. Armstrong, Lorton Blackston, F. W. Hames, J. A. Merriweather, J. Bullard, George W. Jenkins, W. K. Abbott, Ed. Carter and W. J. Quinlan.

It has been said that all the moment facts of his life are quickly brought before a drowning man. The same might be said of a candidate for office.

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CLOSE TO-NIGHT

Plumbers Will be Entertained at a Banquet.

THE ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Was Held This Afternoon and the Next Place of Meeting Chosen – Short Business Session Held This Forenoon.

The annual convention of the Illinois Master Plumbers association which has been in session in this city will close this evening. A short session was held this forenoon. The convention was called to order at 11:30 o'clock by President Murphy. Routine business was transacted and a number of resolutions pertaining to the plumbers business were introduced by the committee on resolutions and adopted by the convention.

This afternoon a short session will be held for the election of officers and the next place of meeting will be decided upon. It is understood that there are no contests on in the election of officers. Among the cities by which the convention will be invited to meet next year are Bloomington, East St. Louis and Aurora.

This evening the local plumbers will entertain the delegates at a banquet to be given at the St. Nicholas hotel. The affair will begin at 9 o'clock. There will be toasts by the officers and other prominent members of the association.

Tuesday Afternoon.

A long session was held by the plumbers on Tuesday afternoon. The committee on certificates, which was appointed in the morning, made its report and other routine business was transacted.

An executive session was held and the delegates discussed the business of the association and the future of the plumbing enterprise. Among the prominent leaders and speakers in the convention are J. H. Weber, T. P. Culliton, F. C. Lyle, E. E. Boland, Paul Riedeskel, F. M. Murphy, All of Chicago; Herman C. J. Ford and All of Chicago; Robert Griffith, all of Chicago; Mayor Elliott of Englewood; E. J. Turner of St. Louis, John O'Neill of Peoria, W. W. Murphy of Decatur and J. K. Scanlan of Elgin.

A resolution was adopted in regard to the uniform contract system. The idea is that the plumbers all over the state who belong to the association will follow a uniform style of making contracts so that matter will be made easier for all parties concerned.

Various other matters which were of interest to the delegates were discussed at length and it was nearly 6 o'clock before an adjournment was taken.

DEFIANCE

Cuban Indian Fighter with 1500 Followers in the Santa Clara Hills.

HAVANA, January 25.—A report reached Captain General Macrae last night that Garcia with 1500 insurgents had arrived to the hills in Santa Clara and defied the Americans to authority. Garcia is a full blooded Guantanamo Indian and a hard fighter. General Wood has sent a force against him.

OIL EXPLOSION

At Mt. Olive, Ill., Causes the Probable Death of Four Persons.

MT. OLIVE, ILL., January 25.—Peter Novak, wife and three children were burned to death by an explosion of oil which burned the mother and three children so fatally that they died.

"Colin" Harvey Coming.

On the call of counties for the first reading of the Democratic platform for the coming campaign, Colin Harvey will give a lecture at the tabernacle Monday night, when the whole world will be required to pay close attention. This will be a great treat to the loyalty of some of the Democrats.

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BOY SHOT

Walter Prell Receives a Bullet in His Body.

Accidentally Wounded by a Companion Who was Firing at Target in the Northern Part of the City.

This afternoon what may prove a fatal accident occurred in the alley near North Clayton street. Walter Prell and two other boys named Shimnoski and Noftulski, each aged about 14 years, had a 22 calibre rifle and were firing at a target. The Prell boy was standing near by when the two other boys had a scuffle for the possession of the gun. It was discharged in the struggle and the Prell boy was shot, the bullet entering his body near the navel. He is now at the Dr. Aungst residence and may die.

COMING TO TIME

The Vote on the Peace Treaty Soon to Occur.

Reasonable Time Will be Given for Debate. Senate May Act Early in February – Committee to Fix the Date.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—Senator Davis, under instruction of the foreign relations committee, of which he is chairman, offered an amendment to the sundry civil bill in the Senate, appropriating twenty million dollars to pay Spain according to the terms of the treaty. The Senate foreign relations committee discussed the situation and the peace treaty. The opinion was generally expressed that an early vote should be sought, but that the committe should hold the matter of fixing the date in its own hands. Chairman Davis was instructed to press consideration and allow no time to be lost. The committee decided to practically accept the proposition formulated by Senator Gorman to take a vote at the expiration of ten days' debate, but determined to hold the decision of the matter in its own hands. It was considered probable that there will be more speeches, and if it could not be made within this time, Davis was authorized to extend the time so as to permit reasonable opportunity for debate. Committee supporters of the treaty admit that that there is now an apparent majority against it, but they express the opinion that several opponents will change front before the vote is taken. There is no disposition manifested in the committee to accept a compromise on the treaty.

Time Set.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—The Senate agreed to take a vote on the peace treaty Feb. 6th, at 3 p. m.

CALL ON TANNER

Delegation of Pana Citizens Visit the Governor To-Day.

SPRINGFIELD, ILL., January 25.—A delegation of 40 residents of Pana called this morning upon Governor Tanner to confer with him regarding the situation there. Among other things they brought information that 300 miners were at work at the mines and that the non union forces were more peaceable than the strikers. The delegation informed the governor that Sheriff Downey was not trying to handle the situation but that he could handle it if he would try.

Ed. Higgins, the East Eldorado street grocer, will move from his present quarters into the Daugherty block at 1160 East Eldorado street on Saturday evening. The change is made necessary by his growing business.

The installation of officers in Triumph Court, Ben Hur, was postponed from last evening until the next meeting, which will be held on the fourth Tuesday in February.

MICHAEL ENNIS

Died Today at St. Mary's Hospital.

WAS A WELL-KNOWN FARMER

And Lived in Macon Township for Many Years. Paralysis of the Brain the Cause of Death.

Michael Ennis, a well known farmer of South Macon township, died at 10 a. m. today at St. Mary's hospital. He has been ill for the past two weeks and paralysis of the brain was the cause of death.

The deceased was born in Dublin, Ireland, and had lived in Macon county for the past 40 years. He was widely known and held in the highest esteem. Mr. Ennis was not married. He is survived by two nieces, Miss Nora Ennis of this city and Miss Anna Clinton of Monticello. The remains were taken to the residence of William Ryan, 114.0 East William street.

The funeral will be held at St. Patrick's Catholic church at 9 o'clock Friday forenoon. Rev. Father O'Rourke of Dalton City will conduct the services and the burial will be at the Catholic cemetery.

MARK MURPHY.

The funeral of the late Mark Murphy was held Tuesday at Bement. Rev. Father Holly officiating. The remains were brought to Decatur and buried at Calvary cemetery. Father Holly accompanied the body and officiated at the grave.

SCOTT GOT THERE

In West Virginia—Quay Comes Up with 104 Votes.

TRENTON, N. J., January 25.—The Legislature in joint session today elected John Kean United States senator.

CHEYENNE, WYO., January 25.—The election of C. D. Clark as United States senator, which took place yesterday, was ratified today in the joint session of the Legislature.

SALT LAKE, UTAH, January 25.—The legislature took two ballots today for United States senator without an election.

LINCOLN, NEB., January 25.—Hayward lost two votes today. The ballot resulted: Allen 38, Hayward 41, Webster 10, others scattering.

HARRISBURG, PA., January 25.—The seventh ballot for United States senator, necessary to a choice, resulted as follows: Quay 104, Jenks 29, Dalzell 16, first scattering, paired 18.

DOVER, DEL., January 25.—The ballot for United States senator resulted: Gray 11, Addicks, Republican 1, Dupont, Republican, 11. Necessary to a choice.

CHARLESTON, W. VA., January 25.—Scott, Republican, was elected United States senator on the first ballot, scoring 48 votes to 46 for McGraw.

AUSTIN, TEXAS, January 25.—The Senate and House in joint session today ratified the election of Charles A. Culberson to the United States Senate. Both houses were appointed a committee for the reception of W. J. Bryan next week.

COUNTY RECORDS

At Carlinville Burned Today in the Court House.

CARLINVILLE, ILL., Jan. 25.—The county clerk's room in the court house was burned today. All of the records were destroyed. The loss is inestimable as estates are left in bad condition.

CONSECRATION

Rev. S. C. Edsall Now Bishop of North Dakota.

CHICAGO, January 25.—Rev. S. C. Edsall of this city was today consecrated bishop of North Dakota by Bishop McLaren, assisted by Rt. Rev. M. N. Gilbert, bishop coadjutor of Minnesota, Bishop Nichols of Milwaukee, Bishop White of Indiana, Bishop Walker of Western New York and other prominent divines. The exercises attending the consecration were the most impressive witnessed in Chicago in many years. The church could not accommodate half of those who wished to be present.

To Cure a Cold in One Day

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c. The genuine has L. B. Q. on each tablet.

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Remnants of 45 inch Covert Cloth, 75c quality, at ..... 37½c yard
Remnants of 45 inch Checked Boucle Cloth, 85c quality, at ..... 42½c yard
Remnants of Fancy Striped Suiting, 58c quality, at ..... 29c yard
Remnants of Colored Crepon, $1.25 quality, at ..... 62½c yard
Remnants of Fancy Striped Boucle Cloth, $1.00 quality, at ..... 50c yard
Remnants of Novelty Suitings, 60c quality, at ..... 30c yard
Remnants of Novelty Check Suitings, 48c quality, at ..... 24c yard
Remnants of Colored Broadcloths, 75c quality, at ..... 37½c yard
Remnants of Novelty Suitings, 38c quality, at ..... 19c yard

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Remnants of Cotton Crepe, 15c quality, at ..... 7½c yard
Remnants of French Satine, 17c quality, for ..... 8½c yard
Remnants of Golf Suiting, 10c quality, for ..... 5c yard
Remnants of Kid Cambric, 5c quality, for ..... 2½c yard
Remnants of 4-4 Colored Lining, 15c quality, for ..... 7c yard
Remnants of 4-4 Percaline Linings, 10c quality, for ..... 5c yard
Remnants of 4-4 Percaline Linings, 15c quality, for ..... 7½c yard
Remnants of 4-4 Percaline Lining, 20c quality, for ..... 10c yard

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Bleached and Half Bleached Table Damask, regular price 50c, remnant price ..... 25c yard
⅝ Bleached and ¾ Bleached Silver Table Linens, regular price 80c, remnant price, 40c yard
Bleached and Brown Crashes, regular price 5c, remnant price ..... 2½c yard
Shaker Flannel, good weight, yard price 6c, remnant price ..... 3c yard
Canton Flannel, regular price 6c, remnant price ..... 3c yard
Elegant styles of Outing and Tennis Flannels, regular yd price 7c, remnant price, 3½c yard
Good quality Unbleached Muslin, regular yard price, 6c, remnant price ..... 3c yard

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THE NEWS.

The city of Mexico has been severely shaken by an earth quake.

The Illinois legislature is to go after the trusts with a new measure.

Col. Sexton continues to improve in health.

J. S. Browning, of Stone City, Iowa, makes a statement that the dust of Columbus is in America.

L. M. Webber, baker and confectioner, of Pana, made an assignment to C. W. Christy. Liabilities are $5,000, assets $4,000. This is Webber's second failure, he having assigned at Litchfield several years ago.

RATIFY! RATIFY!

National Manufacturers' Association at Cincinnati Makes an Appeal.

CINCINNATI, OHIO, January 25.—The National Association of Manufacturers did not assemble until this afternoon, owing to the fact that the committee was engaged in preparing reports on the various recommendations in the president's annual report. When called to order the convention proceeded to take up these recommendations seriatim and dispose them after discussion. This was completed by a resolution from the committee. The resolution which most earnestly petitions the United States Senate to ratify the treaty of peace with Spain, after several amendments were tabled, was accepted without a dozen dissenting votes, and it was made an unanimous. Petitions were also adopted approving the Senate bills for improving the merchant marine and for the adoption of the Nicaragua canal bill. Recess.

Wednesday morning we place on sale 100 copies of late, high priced popular sheet music at 10c per copy; only one copy of each piece at this price. Prescott Music House.—25 3t.

Paul Perry, of Columbus, Ga., suffered agony for thirty years, and then cured his Pile by using De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve. It heals injuries and skin diseases like magic. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, C. F. Shilling, East End Drug Store.

One tenth of the world is still unexplored.

At Queen Victoria's dinner table there are separate servants for each person.

Death of Mrs. Mary Kossick.

Mrs. Mary Kossick, wife of William Kossick, died this morning at her home at 56 South Webster street, of pneumonia, aged 64 years. She was ill one week.

Mrs. Kossick is survived by her husband and four children. They are F. W. and Miss Mamie Kossick, Mrs. R. F. Cramer and Mrs. L. R. Smith. She was born in Hanover, Germany. She has been a resident of the United States 50 years and a resident of Illinois 27 years, having resided in the house in which she died during her entire residence in the state. She also leaves two brothers, Henry Meyer of Decatur and Frank Meyer of St. Louis, and four grandchildren. She was a member of the German Lutheran church. The time for the funeral will be announced later.

—F. L. Jeffries, W. H. Carroll, J. P. Smith, G. F. Hight and C. W. Crane of Macon were in the city yesterday.

The opera house orchestra will play for the plumbers at their banquet at the St. Nicholas this evening.

—Messrs. J. W. Lowry and Charles Fairhouse were in Macon last evening to assist in the work in the third degree on South Macon Lodge, No. 46, at the Macon hall.

—Mr. and Mrs. George Harper of Barnesville were the guests of Dr. and Mrs. W. C. Bower today.

Sensible Physical Exercises.

I have always been much impressed with the facility with which the graduates of West Point and Annapolis display a variety of that simple exercise which alone perhaps would deserve the name of athletic training, although it is not in physical development but it imparts through it. It teaches to command and to obey, it teaches how to walk and how to stand, it teaches how to speak and how to listen, it teaches how to think and how to act, it teaches how to do things such as are taught at West Point and Annapolis by a course of training comprising the training of a child, yet it can be fitted in during the period of a term of half an hour, and the possession of which will enable the boy or girl to have the use of the powers.

I have often thought that the graduates of Harvard, Yale, Princeton, etc., should be compelled to pass a competitive examination with those of West Point and Annapolis, and I am sure that the latter would be crippled in other competitive examinations, and it is the duty of the university to see that the boys possess all before it gives them a degree.—Harvard Graduates' Magazine.

Wronged.

"You just exercise yourself, Pete Billigand," said Mr. Addlethorpe, as he pocketed the stick for the fourth time, "as if I'd wronged you."

"Don't you have?" Mr. Mulligan replied, and that reminds me that you ought, by all means, to call on Sam Darlington while you are in your present condition."

"Why so, Miss Billigand?"

"She told me the other day that she was sure you had nothing in your head. Now, you can prove that she made a mistake."—Cleveland Leader.

Two-thirds of the total number of children under 10 years of age in the United Kingdom are infected in form or another.

It is not enough to be merely free from disease. The body should be a source of joy and exhilaration. The healthy man is happy, and he can't help being good-natured. He is a joy to himself and a blessing to others. Jollity and exhilaration are the outcome of good health. Dyspepsia, constipation, biliousness, sick headache, nervous prostration, etc., are the results of a disordered liver. Dr. Miles' Pills are a specific for these troubles. They make the liver healthy. They are mild and gentle in their action. They are sugar coated, so that even a child will take them without a murmur. They are the most perfect pill made. They are guaranteed to be free from all injurious drugs. They are guaranteed to cure all diseases arising from a disordered liver. Dr. Miles' Pills are sold by all druggists under a guarantee that the first package will benefit. Ask your druggist about them.

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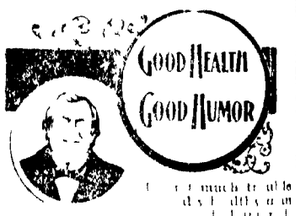

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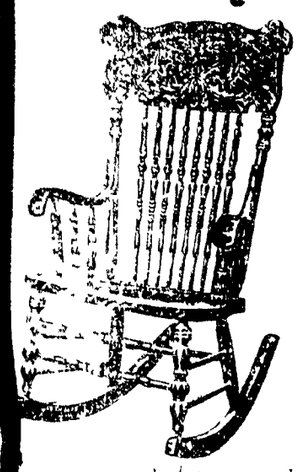

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You pay a little more for the clothes that Denz makes but—

Ingersoll tomorrow night at the Grand. Subject, "Superstition."

California fruits at Giessner's, 148 East Prairie.

Call at the C. B. Prescott music house and see those Chickering and Packard pianos. They are beauties and can be had on easy terms.

Children born of mothers under 20 years old do not have as good a chance of healthy life as those born of mothers over 20.

No healthy person need fear any dangerous consequences from an attack of la grippe if properly treated. It is much the same as a severe cold and requires precisely the same treatment. Remain quietly at home and take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as directed for a severe cold and a prompt and complete recovery is sure to follow. For sale by J. E. King and C. P. Shilling.

The custom is universal in Madrid of closing one of the two outer doors of the house when a person dies. This door is closed for a novena, or period of nine days.

Bethesda for Bright's Disease.

Bethesda Mineral Spring Water has saved the lives of scholars, judges, generals, senators, and thousands of less distinguished men whose lives were equally precious to their families. The great physicians of New York, Boston, Chicago and smaller cities endorse this great natural remedy. Don't despair, don't die, but write quickly for pamphlet giving full information and testimonial letters from restored ones. Sold only in sealed half gallon bottles, by druggists. Address

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STOLE A SHOT GUN.

Charles Hovis Behind the Bars of the City Prison.

Last evening Officers Charles Somerville and Amos Imboden arrested Charles Hovis for stealing a shot gun from Joseph Fahrnkopf. Hovis went to Mrs. Fahrnkopf and said that he wanted to get her husband's gun for John Matts. The gun was loaned and Hovis after using it for a short time took it to Moore the fish man and pawned it. Mr. Fahrnkopf when told of what had happened realized that something was wrong. The matter was reported to the police with the result that Hovis was arrested. Fahrnkopf will bring complaint against the young man.

The Ravages of Grip

That modern scourge, the Grip, poisons the air with its fatal germs so that no home is safe from its ravages, but multitudes have found a sure protection against threatening troubles in Dr. King's New Discovery. When you feel a soreness in your bones and muscles, have chills and fever, with sore throat, pain in the back of the head, catarrhal symptoms and a stubborn cough you may know you have the Grip and that you need Dr. King's New Discovery. It will promptly cure the worst cough, heal the inflamed membranes, kill the disease germs and prevent the dreaded after effects of this malady. Price 50 cents and $1.00. Money back if not cured. A trial bottle free at the drug stores of C. P. Shilling and J. E. King.

KLONDIKE GOLD.

VANCOUVER, B. C., January 25.—O. S. Batchelor, just returned from Dawson, says the mounted police estimate the output this year will be $50,000,000. F. H. Searle, another recent arrival, says the tenderfeet are sick and disheartened and he expects 10,000 men to come out over the trail this winter.

What Do the Children Drink?

Don't give them coffee. Have you tried Grain-O? It is a delicious drink that looks like coffee. The more Grain-O you give the children the more health you distribute through the system. Grain-O nourishes. It is not a stimulant, but a food. Prepared according to the directions it tastes like the choicest grades of coffee but costs about ¼ as much. All grocers sell it. 15c and 25c.

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103 West Main Street.

SOLDIERS' MONUMENT TALK.

Carnival for the Benefit of the Fund Has Started Numerous Talks

The Paper Carnival which is being held in the Linn & Scruggs building this week for the benefit of the Macon County soldiers' monument fund has been the means of starting numerous discussions on the subject of a fitting remembrance to the soldiers of the county. Every prominent citizen who has been heard in the matter has expressed himself as in favor of the monument. A number of them think that the board of supervisors should make an appropriation to the fund and that the work of erecting it should not devolve upon a few women. All are of the opinion that should the fund increase to the proportion that would justify the ladies in talking of plans for the monument that home talent should be consulted first in the building.

The site of the monument will be another question that will come up for settlement. A number think that the center of Lincoln square would have been an ideal place had the monument been a possibility at the time the transfer station was built. It has even been suggested that a soldiers' monument with a transfer station in the basement would not have been a bad idea and one fully in keeping with the mixture of business and sentiment and with the push and hustle of a western American town. Central park has also been suggested as a favorable site and again many think the cemetery the only place. There will be sufficient time to settle the question, however, between now and the time the fund is collected.

Danville is in the midst of a controversy over the site of the soldiers' monument that will be selected when they have decided where it shall be. The citizens are so equally divided on the question of whether it shall be built in the center of the town or in the cemetery that an agreement at this time seems impossible.

Shall the monument be a plain marble shaft or of stone in historic design, with figures of bronze, is another question that is being asked in Decatur.

AT THE CHURCHES.

EDWARD STREET CHURCH

The meetings at the Edward street Christian church attract the same large audiences that have characterized them all along, in spite of the numerous counter attractions. Rev. J. P. McKnight last evening took for his subject "The Blind Beggar." He said: "The purely unselfish life is always the beautiful life. We instinctively fall down in admiration before the unselfish and disinterested life. As the child hails with delight the illuminated pages of a picture book so we hail with delight this page of history that we brighten with the deeds of unselfish service and heroic service. In this the life of Jesus outshines all others."

BAPTIST SOCIAL

The social committee of the Christian Endeavor society of the First Baptist church will give a social at the church on Tuesday evening, February 7.

Y. P. T. U. OFFICERS

The Young People's Temperance union held a meeting at the Y. M. C. A. rooms last evening and elected the officers for the ensuing term as follows:

President—Charles L. Record.
Vice President—Walter S. Bear.
Secretary—Merl B. Wallace.
Treasurer—Bertha Gray.
Chairman Agitation Committee—Sam McCane.
Chairman Legislative Committee—J. L. Dick.
Chairman Enforcement Committee—Ross Potts.
Chairman Finance Committee—Mrs. Erwin.

The society will continue giving public meetings as in the past. The first one will be the first of March.

HARRISTOWN REVIVAL

Revival services are now in progress at the Christian church at Harristown and are attracting packed houses and widespread interest.

HEALTH AND COOKING.

Topics for Miss Wagg's Talk at Woman's Club Next Week.

The following topics will be discussed by Miss Adaline Decker Wagg in her series of lectures at the Woman's club next week:

Monday—"Some Plain Truths."
Tuesday—"The Real Staff of Life."
Wednesday—"The Everyday Problem."
Thursday—"What to Eat."
Friday—"The Universal Food."

Miss Wagg is a graduate of the Boston Cooking School and a 100th degree Ralstonite. Her lectures will be demonstrated by the use of a chafing dish. At the close refreshments will be served and Miss Wagg will hold an informal reception, answering questions and giving any suggestions that may be requested on the subject of her talk.

Burial at Mt. Zion.

The funeral of Mrs. Elizabeth Hodge, wife of H. D. M. Hodge, occurred Monday from the Cumberland Presbyterian church at Mt. Zion. Rev. A. W. Hawkins of Decatur officiated. There was a large attendance of relatives and friends, many coming from Decatur.

Elizabeth Adams was born January 6, 1842, in Missouri, and professed religion at the age of 17. She was married to H. D. M. Hodge November 3, 1869, and removed to Illinois in 1861. She died at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Nannie Jones near Prairie Hall, January 21, 1899, aged 57 years. She is survived by her husband and three children, Anderson Hodge, Walter Hodge and Mrs. Nannie Jones, all of Macon county.

IN THE SOCIAL WORLD.

TO MELT MISS SHARPE

Mrs. Alice G. Evans will give a reception on Friday evening at her apartments at the Cardet annex to the members of the board of education, High school faculty, library board and staff, to meet Miss Katherine Sharpe of the Champaign University. The hours are from 8 to 10 and 9 to 11.

HOUSE WARMING AT HARRISTOWN

Thomas Scruggins of Harristown has just finished supplying his handsome home with the new acetylene gas and will give a house warming to which all his friends are to be invited. Mr. Scruggins is one of the foremost and progressive citizens of the vicinity of Harristown.

SENIOR RECEPTION

The reception that will be given by the Seniors of the High school as a farewell for Miss Mable Gale and welcome for Mr. Patton will be held on February 10, at the home of Miss Lucille Love of North College street.

NOT QUASHED.

Indictment Against Wilcoxon Will Stand—Trial Feb. 9.

About 10 days ago it was reported that the indictment which was returned against Manager Wilcoxon of the street railway company, charging him with fraudulent use of the mails through some technical mistake, was quashed. The information came to W. L. Ferguson of this city through a Muncie, Ind., paper. The paper had obtained its information through a friend of Wilcoxon's who lives at Muncie, Wilcoxon having written that the indictment had been quashed and the case abandoned. A friend of Mr. Ferguson sent him the paper and he at once sent it to United States District Attorney Humphrey at Springfield asking for an explanation. Mr. Ferguson received a telephone communication yesterday saying that the indictment would stand and the trial would be held in February as first settled.

TWO WILLS FILED.

Both were Made by the Late William A. Brooks Continued Till Feb. 17.

Tuesday was the day set for the hearing of the will of the late W. A. Brooks which was filed for probate by David M. Good. When the hearing came up Duryil L. Brooks a brother of the deceased appeared in court and filed another will, and Judge Hammer set February 17, as the day for the hearing. The hearing on the first will was continued until that time. It is understood that the legacies in the two wills were the same but that there is a difference in the distribution of the property. The estate after all debts are paid will amount to $3000 or $4000.

HOME FOR INFIRM WOMEN.

CHAMPAIGN, ILL., January 25.—The will of L. C. Garwood, who died in this city 10 days ago, was filed for probate Tuesday. It sets apart 10 acres of ground adjacent to Champaign for a site for a home for aged and infirm women without distinction as to race, color or religion and a quarter section of land within the city limits, together with other property, to be sold and converted into a perpetual endowment for the maintenance of the institution.

JUDGE DAY IN FLORIDA.

JACKSONVILLE, FLA., January 25.—Judge William R. Day, ex-secretary of state and president of the Spanish American peace commission, arrived in the city yesterday from Canton, Ohio. Judge Day is accompanied by his wife and is on a pleasure trip for the benefit of his health. He will spend several days in this city and will then go further south for a short stay before returning north, possibly to Cuba.

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MAKE A TEST OF STUART'S DYSPEPSIA TABLETS

No trouble is more common or more misunderstood than nervous dyspepsia. People having it think that their nerves are to blame and are surprised that they are not cured by nerve medicines. The real seat of the mischief is lost sight of. The stomach is the organ to be looked after.

Nervous dyspeptics often do not have any pain whatever in the stomach, nor perhaps any of the usual symptoms of stomach weakness. Nervous dyspepsia shows itself not in the stomach so much as in nearly every organ. In some cases the heart palpitates and is irregular, in others the kidneys are affected, in others the bowels are constipated, with headaches, still others are troubled

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with loss of flesh and appetite with accumulations of gas, sour risings and heartburn.

It is safe to say that Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets will cure any stomach weakness or disease except cancer of the stomach. They cure sour stomach, gas, loss of flesh and appetite, sleeplessness, palpitation, heartburn, constipation and headache.

Send for valuable little book on stomach diseases by addressing F. A. Stuart Co., Marshall, Mich. All druggists sell full sized packages at 50 cents. Prof. Henry W. Becker, A. M., the well known religious worker and writer of St. Louis, Secretary of the Missionary Board of the German Methodist Church, Chief Clerk and Expert Accountant for the Harbor and Wharf Commission, Public Secretary of the St. Louis School Patrons' Association and the District Conference of Stewards of the M. E. Church, also takes an active part in the work of the Epworth League, writes on religious and educational topics for several magazines. How he found relief is best told in his own words:

"Some weeks ago my brother heard me say something about indigestion and taking a box from his pocket said 'Try Stuart's Tablets.' I did, and was promptly relieved. Then I investigated the nature of the tablets and became satisfied that they were made of just the right things and in just the right proportions to aid in the assimilation of food. I heartily endorse them in all respects and I keep them constantly on hand."

THE STAGE.

INGERSOLL

The colonel will be heard at the Grand tomorrow night. He will give his new lecture, "Superstition." Prices 50 cents, 75 cents and $1.

LE CAPITAIN OPERA

Comic opera will reign supreme at the Powers Grand Wednesday night, February 1, when lovers of music who enjoy a good thing will be entertained by a presentation of John Philip Sousa's tremendous success, Le Capitan. The production at the Grand will be identically the same as when first shown at the Broadway Theatre, N. Y., as far as costumes, scenery and effects are concerned, while the company is said to be capable of giving a performance of this popular opera that suffers little by comparison with the original cast.

Taxes! Taxes!

Collector's office first room to the left court house entrance. The time is short for the collection of taxes. Please call and get your receipts. Persons owning several pieces of real estate will confer a favor on Deputy Reider by leaving list of same at the office and he will prepare your receipts. Chas. Nicholson, Collector.—23 dot.

List of Patents

Granted to Illinois inventors this week. Reported by C. A. Snow & Co., patent attorneys, Washington, D. C.

W. A. Connell, Atkinson, stock water trough; C. J. Cooper, Molin, harness saddle tree; J. A. Gall, Sterling, crank and pitman connection; J. S. Horner, Higginsville, sharpener for edge tools; J. M. Lippincott, Oakland, shelving; C. S. Morris, Moline, computing scale; W. D. Roeder, Dwight, threshold for doors; G. S. Tiffany, Highland Park, telautograph; W. L. Whitely, Harristown, stalk rake; H. Wodmansee, Freeport, automatic hydraulic regulator for windmills; O. G. Worsley, Newark, rock drill. For copy of any of the above patents send 10c in postage stamps with date of this paper to C. A. Snow & Co., Washington, D. C.

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WEDNESDAY JANUARY 25 1899

AN UNEXPECTED ALLY

American Economist A Democratic member of Congress introduced and is prepared to earnestly advocate the passage of a bill providing for the imposition of discriminating duties. This may seem a political paradox but it amounts after all to no more radical departure from established party policy than may be found in the introduction as a Republican measure in both Houses and enacted of a bill which throws overboard the orthodox party doctrine and lands in the St Louis platform of 1896 and brings forward a scheme of subsidies and bounties with the purpose of encouraging carrying the American merchant marine

The bill which Congressman Sulzer of New York lands sponsor for in the House is an exact copy of the bill which first saw the light in the columns of the American Economist December 9 1898. It embodies the plan of imposing additional duties upon all foreign merchandise brought to this country in other than vessels of the United States. It is soundly Republican doctrine in spite of the fact that it has been the bugbear of Democrats, and its passage will be strenuously urged by the man who aspires to the leadership of the Democratic minority in the Fifty Third Congress. Truth is often more marvellous than fiction and politics like misery, may sometimes acquaint a man with strange bedfellows.

That Congressman Sulzer is not lacking in the breadth and scope which justify aspiration toward distinction in party councils is clearly proved in the interview which he contributes to this week's American Economist. Herein Mr Sulzer presents some cogent reasons why discriminating duties should be considered as the most effective and best of practicable means of promoting the development of the industry of building and operating American ships in our overseas trade and equally cogent reasons why he considers opposing with all his might the policy of tapping the treasury to the extent of paying nobody knows how many millions of dollars in the shape of bounties and subsidies.

As a page in political history the Sulzer interview is unique and carefully thought out contribution to an economic policy it is worth any man's while to read

SENATOR MASON'S ERROR

When Senator Nelson was speaking in the Senate in favor of the annexation of the Philippines Senator Mason of our late interrupting said "I will say to the Senator from Minnesota that Washington and the Continental congress proceeded to blot out that colonization (Dutch and French) and the French republican proceeded the same course toward its colonies that is proposed to be pursued toward the Philippines. I can well bear the sneer after such a lesson of liberty." This document is quoted to Senator Mason's usual inaccuracy. There is not at all a parallel. The first place he is mistaken as to history. France did not help the colonies. Holland helped them but the French republic did not and as a matter of fact the French government approached Hamilton and sounded him as to whether he would be tempted to lay down his arms and tender his services to the continentals. Assuming as the Senator would have us believe that it was the French government instead of French individuals who aided the revolutionists they aided a people already in rebellion against Great Britain with a government represented by a continental congress recognized as such by the allies and having done this they did not and could not have claimed sovereignty in the colonies. In the recent war it was different. The United States was at war with Spain. The Filipinos were not at war with Spain. Their differences had been settled with Spain by Aguinaldo accepting Spanish gold and selling out his people and his followers and leaving the country. When Dewey went to Manila to overthrow Spanish sovereignty Aguinaldo was enlisted to aid the United States in destroying Spanish sovereignty in the Philippines. He assisted the United States the latter did not assist him and when Spain was defeated control of the islands was in the hands of the United States and not in the hands of Aguinaldo. The Philippine republic was an afterthought of Aguinaldo's. In this he is encouraged by the anti expansionists. The difference in the two cases is clear. The French aided the American revolutionists, who had a government, to force Great Britain to acknowledge American independence and could not claim French sovereignty after the fact. Aguinaldo and his followers aided the United States to overthrow Spanish sovereignty in the Philippines and cannot claim over sovereignty after the fact. Senator Mason assumes the United States aided the Filipinos to overthrow Spanish overeignty which is not the case at all. Therefore decided upon the relations of the French to the American revolution as the senator proposes, the Filipinos are left without a case. The senator argues them out of court

A society for the prevention of cruelty to animals is being organized by the wife of General Wood. If the Cubans are willing to exchange bull fighting for such an organization as the result of a short American rule they will naturally want more such rule and will be a long time coming to the point when they will want to change governments

The Populists of the Nebraska legislature propose to join certain Republicans and help them elect a Republican senator. According to Senator Mason's Philippine logic after the fellow is elected he will belong to the Populists and those Republicans who claim him would be imperialists. Senator this logic won't do. You know better

Colonel Harvey will lecture at the Auditorium Monday evening on Jefferson. His object is to raise money for the cause. He has only about one year left in which to do that business as after that period there will be no cause no matter who has the cash

The peace treaty will be ratified and then Aguinaldo will be interviewed unless he should force an interview earlier by pressing the matter too vigorously

Either had Dewey and Spanish American war Aguinaldo might have received the other $100 000 Spain agreed to pay him. Perhaps this fact is what is troubling the young man

Uncle Sam's imperialism has taken the form of pushing forward the cause of the schools in Cuba and Porto Rico

THE WORK GOES ON.

Decatur People are Interested—It Has Much to Do With Their Welfare.

Never out of work
That the case with the kidneys
Twenty four hours to the day is the time they put in
They're equal to it when they're well
But they get sick
Stooping position of the body
Straining a lame or over exertion,
Often make the kidneys sick
But the work must go on
They need a helper
They ask you for it through the back
When the back aches it's the kidneys
Calling for assistance
Neglect them pain and trouble follows
Serious trouble, urinary trouble, diabetes Bright's Disease
Doan's Kidney Pills are a kidney helper
Perfect mechanics in their line
Help the kidneys and cure the ills
Hard at it here in Decatur
Relieving tired kidneys, curing sick ones
The good work goes on
Here's some evidence of it
Mrs S Dedman of 500 North Main street, says "I have suffered from kidney trouble Doan's Kidney Pills came to my notice and they were so highly recommended that I decided to try them I obtained a box at a drug store and took them according to directions I found them to be just as represented a specific for kidney troubles I only used one box and there was no call for using more One box of Doan's Kidney Pills cured me
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THE NEWEST NAPOLEON.

If He Succeeds He Will Be Entitled the Fifth of That Illustrious Name

France has the best army in the world, so report has it issued by Engaged afraid of Germany under the Kaiser. Russia's armies are larger in number of horses, she has a number of thousands but numbers perhaps, count. It is said more that there is a coup d'état in preparation and that presently the man will appear. The letter is Napoleon V. We must not believe every thing we see in the papers yet should the rumor be correct he would not be unwelcome. In the present circumstances a word or two concerning him may be of interest

At present a colonel of the guards at St Petersburg he has three characteristics. He is a great chap with the girls. That is promising. He wears no decorations. That is the mark of a really distinguished soldier. He insists on being addressed as "imperial highness." That is the prelude to "sire." Still young good looking without being alarmingly so, at his hours what the French call charmer, he has succ

HOUSEHOLD THEORIES.

Scientific Knowledge is Not as Valuable as Practical Experience.

There is nothing in the world easier than to lay out the work of other people systematically, according to set rules and method, are there are a great many people who foolishly employ themselves in this manner to the neglect of that work which has been given them to do on their own account. It is doubtful if the world was ever benefited much by the theories of people without practical experience to guide them

The woman who has never cooked, who has never catered to the needs of a family cannot teach cookery to others or give lessons in household economy which will be of practical value. All the knowledge of chemistry and of physiology that can be learned is not worth the practical experience of one intelligent woman who has toiled successfully however humbly at her kitchen, closely observing the results. Invariably is science is to solve the problems of the household its chief value is as an assistant to practical experience. The good sense and instinct of true motherhood when guided by experience have proved a far better method of coping with household problems than science has yet given us. There are reasons for this. If men and women were machines it would be quite possible to serve their needs by exact methods. But households are composed of individual sensate beings whose needs and whose conditions offer very minutely from each other. The problem of each household is to meet the individual need and it must be forever a problem which must be solved individually. Science deals only with the average man and fails to take heed of so many individuals. What is proved to be the correct feed for the average man may be some exceptional man's poison. It has been repeatedly proved that cold bath or food must be abandoned before practical experience in individual case. There are persons to whom strawberries are poisonous and others who find wholesome meat, and even milk and fruit so secreted never at food. Household problems like other problems of food are to more or less an individual one. It depends largely upon the mother of the family to decide what is best for her own. She knows by long experience the individual needs of each child. She remembers that this one has a delicate throat, another perhaps a weak digestion. It is the fact that she is at her family and selects their food from her knowledge of the individuality that will always recommend the home table superior to that of a hotel. The hotel table may be superior but lacks the caterer and adapts the experience. It is arranged to suit the tastes of the individual family not certainly of the city. It is for that reason that the most delightful and most wholesome table in the world

One shudders involuntarily over the physical degradation of a family fed by the cheap and day on just the correct certain allowance of proteid starch and fat. As at the thought of the poor the young bride of the cottage who cooks for her husband "on a dollar and a half a week" Many are not willing to be treated like machines in a matter of vital importance and thoughtless meanness may well be ignored people who are forever tempting to be the victims of heresy by some cheap fad will apply to only. He feels is commonsense and reject after years of fatal experiment to the contrary that no man and woman at liberty to live up the certainty of what is better there. The fever further away than ever when they will be willing to be fed food and clothed on any cheap universal plan. N Y Tribune

A PRIME FISH CHOWDER.

Directions for Preparing a Delicious Dish Which Dates Back to Colonial Times

An new certain prominent dish celebrated. He is a native New England. It is said to be the cabbage fed time. It is said to have been with the fathers at Plymouth in the very first Pilgrims' Thanksgiving day that week plus a bounteous harvest was gathered. Perhaps we should have a clam stew fit for the old knowing that a fish stew.

You will please observe the following proportions in preparing your materials

For every pound of fish—cod or haddock is the best for the purpose—one ounce of salt pork, half a cup of two potatoes, a pint of milk, a tablespoonful of flour, one of butter, one onion, salt and pepper to taste.

Slice the fish carefully cleaned and cut into pieces after the bones are removed. You may be the fish have cut, or the market man will do it for you. It will save you trouble if you do. Cut the pieces of fish and the salt pork into small dice. Put the potatoes in a kettle in cold water and the onion. When the potatoes are half done add the fish and the pepper. Let the water boil up once and then remove the kettle from the fire. Now take a pint of the water and add to it the flour and butter rubbed smooth. Let it boil up once and then add the milk and season with salt and pepper. Let it boil up once and then add the potatoes and the pepper. Let it boil up once and then add the onion. Let it boil up once and then add the salt and pepper

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[illegible] 10c

[illegible] 10c

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[illegible] ES—50c, 75c and $1 [illegible] Seats opens at the Opera House [illegible] Tuesday morning at 8 o'clock.

THE TREATY VOTE

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Protest.

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Decision of Interest [illegible] our People

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[illegible]DS [illegible] Cotton consumption [illegible] promptly with [illegible] Syrup [illegible] most efficacious [illegible] at all druggists.

Dr. Bull's COUGH SYRUP Prompt [illegible] Stubborn Colds [illegible]

The complainants were policy holders in the company, and, after taking out their certificates, the company increased the amount of assessments to pay the death losses. The complainants claimed this to be a violation of the contract entered into with them, refused to pay the increased assessment and filed a bill to restrain the company from forfeiting their membership.

Judge Shirley recites that the association is for mutual benefit and not for profit and is to be distinguished from a stock premium and policy [illegible] insurance. The court holds: When the certificate is taken the [illegible] becomes a member and is bound [illegible] provisions of the rules and the law he is presumed to know. He [illegible] insured and insurer [illegible] association may live and [illegible] objects of its creation, the members must contribute the cost of [illegible] insurance and as equality and [illegible] mutuality are its chief aims no member [illegible] should share its benefits at a less rate than other members, or than his [illegible] worth. It would be unjust now to permit the complainants [illegible] entitled to the rates fixed [illegible] certificate which would be unjust with the later members at a far less [illegible] of insurance than they are required to pay.

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The Best Salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by J. E. King and C. F. Shilling.

[illegible] height of the human [illegible] is for man [illegible] feet 6 inches for woman [illegible] feet [illegible] inches.

Only One More Week of the **January Clearance Sale.**

The Greatest Sale ever held by any store in Decatur. We cannot impress upon you too strongly that this is a genuine mark-down, cut-price clearance effort on our part--no exaggerated comparative values--just plain, absolute price cutting to quickly move a stock that is many thousands of dollars too large for inventory. We think it best to cut the prices right now when the goods are most needed instead of waiting a month later as many stores do.

Dress Goods.

The last week of our January Clearance Sale is always "remnant week" in the Dress Goods section and the number of shoppers that have enquired about the matter during the last few days shows that interest is not lacking.

The remnant roll is a roll of honor—the best goods always sell first and leave the short lengths. Without any more words here's the price program—

Lot 1 embracing Dress Fabrics that sold to 60c a yard. Choice for . 15c

Lot 2 embracing Dress Fabrics that sold for $1.00 yard. Choice for 30c

Lot 3 embracing Dress Fabrics that sold to $1.50 yard. Choice for . 50c

These goods are in pieces of from 1 to 10 yards in length

LINN AND SCRUGGS DRY GOODS & CARPET CO.

That Big Sale in the **Cloak Section:** Second Floor.

Every day (as this sale becomes more advertised and better known) brings more buyers and no wonder look at these prices—every item just as advertised

Ladies' Jackets, worth up to $25—choice of assortment for . $7.00

Ladies' Jacket worth up to $15 choice of assortment for $4.98

Ladies' Plush Capes, worth $[illegible] 19 choice of the lot for 95c

Children's Cloaks worth up to $2 [illegible]—choice of the lot for 95c

Ladies' Light Fitting Suits advance spring styles—all popular colors about 25 in stock worth to $15—choice $7.49

Ladies $12 Fur Collarettes for . $5.00

Domestics.

Just a few leaders from the South Aisle—you'll find dozens of others just as interesting when you come

Standard quality Calico—fancy patterns in pretty colorings the regular 4c grade for 2½c

Venetian Suiting Flannels for House Coat Dressing, Sacques and Wrappers it has no equal 27 inches wide and worth 10c a yard now 5c

Yard wide Bleached Muslin heavy grade cotton for 3¾c

Yard wide Unbleached Muslin good quality and worth 4½c yard Price this week will be 2½c

Bleached Crash 17 inches wide extra heavy really worth 5c yard for 3½c

104 Checked Cotton Blankets very heavy quality and cheap at 60c pair now 35c

FINAL CLEAR UP OF WINTER SHOES

We must bid good bye to all our Winter Shoes within the next two weeks or be compelled to put them aside for future selling. Now, we would much rather sell these shoes at a positive loss than carry a single pair until next season. Do really worthy shoes at half price interest you? *Some were $3.00, $4.00, $5.00—are now $1.50, $2.00 and $2.50.* PLENTY OF STYLES AND SIZES.

$1.75 Shoes 95c.

Misses' Black and Chocolate Kid Button Shoes. Sizes 11 to 2

95c

$5 Shoes $3.

50 pair Edwin Clapp's Men's Shoes, "Ideal Toe," Tan, Russia, Vici and box calf

Now $3

$3.00 Shoes $1.50.

At $1.50 we offer a lot of Ladies' Button Shoes, with extension soles and pointed toes, were $3.00 and $3.50, and some $4.00 ones in the lot

$1.50

$2 Shoes $1.50.

Ladies' Kangaroo Calf Shoes, in button or lace. 10c Coin toe, best goods on our shelves

$1.50

$1.35 Shoes 85c.

100 Pairs Children's Kid Button Shoes, in Black or Chocolate, were $1.25 and $1.35, good wearing shoes. Sizes 8 to 11.

85c

$1.85.

Spring style, new toe, flexible soles, Vici tip, lace, D to E

$1.85

$1.25.

Ladies' Real Kid, lace or button wide toes, medium toes or pointed toes, flexible sole, patent tip

$1.25

$1.00.

Girl's Kangaroo Calf Shoes, lace or button, new coin toe good serviceable shoe

$1.00

75c

Children's Kid or Kangaroo Calf Button Shoes, new coin last, sizes 6 to 8,

75c

50c

Infants' Kid Button hand turned, always 60c C, D, E, F, now

50c

25c

Infants' Soft Soles Lace or Button Shoes,

25c

$3 Bicycle Boots $1.95

15 inch Combination Black Kid with cloth tops, were $3. 10 inch Black and Chocolate Kid were $2.50 Choice

$1.95

25c

Ladies' best grade Rubbers, Croquet or Storm style, sizes 1 to 4,

25c

$3, The Imperial.

Best Shoes made for Ladies, new spring styles, now ready

Men's $2.00 Shoes.

Some styles in Satin Calf, Congress or Lace, yard wide toes, medium, pointed or plain toes

$2.00

$3.00

Five styles of Men's Tan Willow Calf, Black Mixed Calf, Ever Bright Kid or Wax Calf Congress or Lace. No trouble in getting fitted in just the style you want

$3.00

Shoes to be proud of are the Shoes you buy here.

152 EAST MAIN ST. Sign of the Old Cobbler **FOLRATH,** Successor to Folrath & Hardy.

KILLED FOR MONEY

Discovery of a Cowardly Crime in Colorado Arrests.

[illegible] COL., January [illegible]—The [illegible] Charles N. O'Hara and wife have been found on their ranch near Hugo. Hugo employed on the ranch, is under arrest charged with the [illegible] R. J. McCarty has been arrested. [illegible] complicity. The supposition is that the O'Haras were murdered for their money.

Another Good Man Gone Wrong.

He tried to use Foley's Kidney Cure or his kidney complaint. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, W. H. Hubbard

SUDDEN DEATH OF A JUDGE.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., January [illegible]—Justice Henry Williams of the supreme court of Pennsylvania died suddenly this morning of heart disease. [illegible] is but a simple [illegible] machine [illegible] tenth of the world is still unexplored. [illegible] to buy [illegible]

[illegible] Tyc[illegible] church in London still possesses [illegible] Why some originally given to it for [illegible] purpose of burning faggots for [illegible] heretics.

Recommended for La Grippe.

N. Jackson, Danville, Ill., writes: My daughter had a severe attack of La Grippe seven years ago and since then whenever she takes cold a terrible cough settles on her lungs. We tried a great many remedies without giving relief. So we tried Foley's Honey and Tar which cured her. She has never been troubled with a cough since. 25c. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, W. H. Hubbard

At the Burt school literary [illegible] Friday night a very interesting mock divorce trial was given.

Mr. S. A. Fickle, editor of the Mt. Canopy (Pa.) Hustler, with his wife and children suffered terribly from La Grippe. One Minute Cough Cure was the only remedy that helped them. It acted quickly. Thousands of others say this remedy is a specific for La Grippe and its exhausting after effects. Never fails. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, C. F. Shilling, East End Drug Store

Two-thirds of the total number of children under 10 years of age in the United Kingdom are infected in one form or another.

A White Mark.

Foley's Kidney Cure is a perfectly reliable preparation for all Kidney and Bladder disorders. The proprietors of this Great Medicine guarantee it or refund the money. Do they not deserve a white mark? H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, W. H. Hubbard

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Lingering La Grippe Cough Cured.

Mr. G. Vacher, 157 Osgood st., Chicago: My wife had a severe case of La Grippe the previous year and it left her with a very bad cough. She tried a bottle of Foley's Honey and Tar and it gave immediate relief. One bottle cured her cough entirely. Now we are never without a bottle of this wonderful cough medicine in the house. 25c and 50c. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, W. H. Hubbard

Horrible agony is caused by Piles, Burns and Skin Diseases. The pain is immediately relieved and quickly cured by De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve. Beware of worthless imitations. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, C. F. Shilling, East End Drug Store

At Queen Victoria's dinner table there are separate servants for each person.

The smallest things may exert the greatest influence. De Witt's Little Early Risers are unequaled for overcoming constipation and liver troubles. Small pill, best pill, safe pill. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, C. F. Shilling, East End Drug Store

Dealers in pet animals and bird say that women buy more than half the dog.

La Grippe is again epidemic. Every precaution should be taken to avoid it. Its specific cure is One Minute Cough Cure. A. J. Shepard, publisher Agricultural Journal and Advertiser, Lillian, Mo., says: "No one will be disappointed in using One Minute Cough Cure for La Grippe." Pleasant to take, quick to act. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, C. F. Shilling, East End Drug Store

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THE ILLINOIS CENTRAL

[illegible] Mardi Gras [illegible] Monday, February 6th, 7th and 8th, [illegible] Mardi Gras [illegible] Tuesday, February 7th, [illegible] Ordinary tickets [illegible] The excursion will leave Decatur [illegible] February 6th, arriving at Memphis [illegible] Vicksburg at [illegible] p. m.

Round trip rate to New Orleans $[illegible]—tickets good for return until [illegible] February 8th. [illegible] Pullman or Tourist sleeper reservations are want [illegible] whether in Standard Pullman or Tourist sleeper reservations, remembering that the sleeping car rates named will be for double berths and will be the same whether occupied by one or two people. Write the undersigned at once for a copy of the Vicksburg Convention program, New Orleans Guide and detailed information concerning the excursion.

J. P. BERRY, A. G. P. A., Ill. Cent. R. R., Dubuque, Iowa.

GEN. EAGAN IN COURT

Members of the Army to Pass on the Case.

EAGAN PLEADS NOT GUILTY

Text of the Charges and Specifications —Submitted to the Court Martial - Remarks of the Opposing Counsel.

WASHINGTON January 25.—The board of army officers sitting as a court martial in the case of Brigadier General Charles P. Eagan commissary general of subsistence charged with "conduct unbecoming an officer and a gentleman and conduct prejudicial to good order and military discipline, in connection with his testimony before the war investigating committee" met this morning and proceeded to the business in hand.

The Court.

The court consists of Major Generals Merritt president of the court, Wade, Butler and Young Brigadier Generals Grant Randall Kline and Coppinger Colonels Haines Gillespie Sutter and Gauntlett Lieutenant Colonel Davis deputy judge advocate general judge advocate of the court.

General Eagan appeared with his counsel, A. S. Worthington formerly United States district attorney for the District of Columbia. Colonel Davis arose and read the order convening the court.

The Charges.

The judge advocate then turned to General Eagan and inquired whether he objected to any member of the court. General Eagan replied "I do not." The members of the court then took the oath. The charges and specifications were read. There are two charges, with one specification under each. First Conduct unbecoming an officer and a gentleman. Second Conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline. The specifications are practically identical being quotations from General Eagan's testimony before the war investigation commission, in which he charged General Miles with lying in his throat, in his heart in every hair of his head in every pore of his body, wilfully, deliberately intentionally and maliciously, and that he should be drummed out of the service or incarcerated in prison with other libelers.'

Eagan's Plea.

At the conclusion of the reading on being requested to plead to the charges and specifications, General Eagan said "Not guilty" not disputing, however, the specifications set forth as correctly part of the language used.

Statements.

The judge advocate then said the case was a peculiar one but presented no unusual difficulties. The accused had seen fit to add to his plea of not guilty some words tending to qualify it, but he did not think the plea relieved the court from the necessity of proving the facts alleged.

Judge Worthington responded. He explained why the qualifying words had been used upon his recommendation. The specifications did the accused a great injustice in that it selected a particular expression without giving the context as in one or more instances the specifications quoted the beginning or middle of a sentence. He desired to briefly state to the court the substance of the charges against the defense. Whatever said he the court may think of the propriety of the language used by General Eagan before the war investigation committee, there is no doubt in his (Worthington's) mind that he was fully protected in using that language by the laws of the land. In no court, civil or military, could the accused be held accountable for his language, even if it could be shown the speaker was actuated by malice. In addition, the president of the United States had instructed the war investigating committee to announce publicly that witnesses before that tribunal would be given immunity for whatever they might testify to. This was a solemn promise given by the president, and the counsel had no doubt the court would find General Eagan could not, under these circumstances, be held to answer to a military court martial for his language. General Miles, he said, had appeared before the committee three weeks before General Eagan and his statement and on that occasion made most serious and sweeping charges against many of his subordinates particularly against General Eagan and the commissary of the army. He had charged General Eagan with being incompetent and neglectful of his duties and inferentially charged him with issuing poisoned meat to the soldiers of the army, and had averred that many died in consequence. He also implied that General Eagan was acting corruptly in the matter. Immediately upon reading the testimony of General Miles, General Eagan went to the secretary of war and asked to have to bring charges against him. Secretary Alger replied that under the president's order of immunity General Miles could not be held responsible for his language before the committee. The newspapers then took it up and goaded General Eagan to desperation almost. He had come to believe that the press of the country at large had accepted the accusations made by General Miles as true and the condition of his mind, in consequence, grew worse and worse, until he was in a state bordering on distraction. The language General Eagan used under these circumstances naturally was the outburst of an honest man suffering under unjust accusations.

Evidence.

The court took a recess to pay its respects to the president. On reassembling Major Mills recorder of the war investigating commission testified as to General Eagan's manner when testifying before the commission as that of a man laboring under great excitement which he was trying to control. Major Mills told of subsequently returning the copy of General Eagan's testimony to him for revision. He identified the language of the specifications as having been used by General Eagan.

General McCook a member of the war investigating commission testified that General Eagan on the stand impressed him as a man laboring under great nervous excitement. He identified some of the language used by General Eagan.

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Pleurisy and pneumonia are acute inflammations of the lungs, and if not promptly allayed, the worst may happen. The celebrated Dr. John W. Bull's Cough Syrup speedily allays all inflammation of the lungs and effects a cure in a wonderfully short time.

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CHICAGO (B. of T.) JAN. 25.

	Opening	Highest	Lowest	Closing	Yes'day
Wheat—					
Jan	—	—		—	[illegible]
May	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
July	[illegible]		[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Corn—					
Jan		—	—	[illegible]	[illegible]
May	[illegible]	38	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
July	38	38	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Oats—					
Jan	—	—	—	[illegible]	[illegible]
May	[illegible]	28	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
July	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Pork—					
May	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Lard—					
May	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Ribs—					
May	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

To Day's Receipts Last Year

Wheat 135 Estimated — a year ago [illegible]
Corn 408 Estimated — a year ago 191
Oats 141 Estimated — a year ago 14

Estimates for Thursday

Wheat 150 Corn 415 Oats 220

Hogs

Receipts 17,000 estimated —
Market steady
Light $3.[illegible] (@$3.80) Mixed $3.[illegible] (@$3.[illegible])
Heavy $3.70 (@$4.00) Rough $3.60 (@$3.[illegible])
Estimated for to-morrow 30,000

Cattle

Receipts 13,000 market steady.

PERSONAL.

—Dr. J. G. Ellis made a professional visit at Cerro Gordo today.

—Miss Nettie Blakeney of Cerro Gordo is the guest of Mr. J. G. Ellis.

Miss Juanita Bullard has returned from a visit of four weeks with Miss Bullard at Cleveland, Ohio.

—Ex-Postmaster John L. Black of Seymour is visiting his brother Attorney W. H. Black.

—Mrs. Kate Hughes of Cerydon, Ill., is the guest of the family of William Fletcher of Dalton City, Ill.

—G. W. Eller of Taylorville was in the city on business.

—George Simpson and mother, Mrs. Mary Simpson of Mowequa are the guests of Decatur friends.

—Mrs. S. S. Jack is confined to her bed with an attack of the grip. Mr. Jack, who has been ill for the past two weeks, is improving, but is not yet able to be out.

—Rev. W. M. Poe of the Jacksonville circuit and Rev. Dr. Thornton of Grace church, Jacksonville, took dinner with Dr. and Mrs. J. G. Ellis on Tuesday. They were en route to the Applegate conference at Terre Haute, Ind.

EARLIEST LETTERS KNOWN.

Babylonian Correspondence Discovered Dating Back to Abraham's Time.

During the last few years the Babylonian collection of the British museum has been enriched by the important addition of several thousands of tablets obtained chiefly by Dr. Budge during his expeditions to the east on behalf of the trustees. Among the principal objects are a large number of small tablets, many of them of the envelope or duplicate class, which were found at Tell Sifr, in South Babylonia representing the ancient City of Larsa (the Ellasar of Genesis 14). The majority of these were contracts or legal documents, but among them are many letters, both private and official. This collection, having just been carefully arranged, is found to contain one of the most important series of inscriptions which has ever been rescued from oriental ruins. It is a group of 50 letters written by Khammurabi, king of Babylon, who reigned about 2300 B. C., and who is generally identified with the Amraphel of Genesis 14. We have already been made acquainted with the existence of a system of letter writing in use among the kings of the east at an early period, as illustrated by the famous Tel el Amarna tablets.

These, we know, present the diplomatic and private correspondence between the kings of Syria, Mitanni or northern Mesopotamia, and Babylon, and may be dated about 1450 B. C. The valuable series of tablets which has just been secured for our National museum belongs to a period of 1000 years earlier, and are certainly the oldest known letters in the world. The position of these Babylonian letters in oriental literature is of extreme importance. They reveal the existence of a regular system of correspondence between rulers and their subordinates, and that writing was not only used to record events in royal annals, but for ordinary purposes. They are besides manifestly the model for all after time, as in the case of the diplomatic correspondence in the Tel el Amarna tablets. We can now see how overshadowing was the influence of Babylonian over all western Asia. During the thousand years which elapsed between the time of Khammurabi and the date of these letters, as recovered some years ago, Babylonia became the educational center of the oriental world.

The great library at Persippa was the school and university not only of Chaldea, but of Syria, North Mesopotamia and Asia Minor. Fragments of the Deluge and Creation tablets dated from a period more than 1000 years before Moses have been discovered in Babylonia. It is therefore clear that if the scribes of Canaan were taught to write and use the cuneiform script through the influence, there must have been some among them who were acquainted with the traditions stored in the Chaldean libraries. The present discovery is a great one, but one can only regard it as a prelude to still more important discoveries which will probably put a new aspect on the vexed question of Hebrew origins. To possess a tablet contemporary with the time of Abraham is certainly an astonishing result of oriental exploration, and one which far exceeds the wildest dreams of those who first revealed to us the buried cities of Assyria and Babylonia.—Scotsman.

SOURCES OF RUBBER SUPPLY.

New Fields Must Soon Be Opened to Meet the Rapidly Increasing Demand.

The total amount of rubber that was brought to the markets in the year ending June 30 last was 40,750 tons. Of this amount Brazil produced 24,750 tons or a little more than half the entire supply. Africa's share was 10,500 tons, leaving only 2,500 tons to be supplied by the rest of the world. India furnished 1,100 tons and the balance of the supply, 1,750 tons, from Central America and parts of South America outside of Brazil.

When the export of rubber from Brazil began about 50 years ago the quantity shipped in a year was only 30 tons. The Dutch minister in Brazil estimates that the area of rubber producing territory in Brazil that is still untouched amounts to 961,000 square miles, or nearly a third of the area of the United States, exclusive of Alaska. The great difficulty in developing these obtaining regions is the scarcity of population and the consequent necessity of carrying food supplies everywhere. In all the vast rubber regions of Brazil it is estimated that there are only 14,000 inhabitants. The rubber districts that thus far have furnished the supply are becoming exhausted and the total production last year was less than in the preceding year.

In Africa there was until recently only one region which had been very conspicuous as a rubber producer. This was the Portuguese colony of Angola, which in 1898 sent to the market 1,728 tons, while the Gold Coast and Lagos together furnished only 912 tons. In that year the Congo basin appeared in the market as a source of supply. Its progress since then has been rapid and in 1897 [illegible] tons were exported from the upper Congo, though the rubber had to be carried over the backs of the boys of porters. The present prospects are that the Congo will soon divide Brazil's great rival in the production of rubber.—N. Y. Sun.

Not in It.

Mrs. Doolan — Orly think Mrs. Grogan that dem Pidirewsky has practiced so hard at the panny for the last six months that he has paralyzed wo fingers.

Mrs. Grogan — Begorrah! thot's nothing. Mrs. Doolan. Me daughter Mary Ann has practiced so hard for the last six months thot she's paralyzed two prannies.—Judge.

A church in London still possesses an income originally given to it for the purpose of buying faggots for burning heretics.

Siberia is said to be a country of enormous natural wealth which no effort has yet been made to develop.

At the Burt school literary near Minier Friday night a very interesting mock divorce trial was given.

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WE ARE THE PEOPLE WHO CREATE THE LOWEST PRICES.

THE GREAT SALE IS NOW ON.

Never, absolutely never, in any city, and we have been instrumental in establishing stores in several different towns, did we experience the crowds that thronged our store all day Monday and Tuesday. Day after day we bring from our second floor some more of "THE HATCH STOCK" and place it on sale down stairs in the various departments. It would be utterly impossible on account of the crowded condition of our salesrooms to display this enormous stock at once. We recommend our patrons to watch our "ads" from time to time. Every succeeding day we will create bargains Bigger, Better, Greater Than Ever.

Thursday and Friday We Offer--

Beautiful Ribbons.

1c a yard.

100 pieces of Hatch's No. 5 and 7 beautiful all silk ribbons in all colors, his price 10c a yard. Our price a yard .. **1c**

5c a yard.

150 pieces of Hatch's lovely all silk and satin ribbons, in medium and very wide width, all the high numbers, his price 20c and 25c. Our price a yard..... **5c**

15c a yard.

100 pieces of Hatch's finest ribbons, including all his beautiful millinery ribbons, that he sold at 40c and 50c. Our price for your choice of this entire lot a yard **15c**

7½c Embroidery for 1c.

Hatch's 5c and 7½c embroideries our price a yard **1c**

Hatch's 10c and 12½c very handsome embroideries a yard **2c**

Hatch's 25c, 30c, 35c and 40c embroideries, our price a yard **5c**

Several other bargains in laces and embroideries. Impossible to describe them in an "ad" of this size.

Gloves! Gloves! 10c a pair.

500 pairs of silk and cashmere gloves, all sizes in black and colors. Hatch's price 35c, 40c and 50c. Our price for your choice of the entire lot a pair .. **10c**

$1 Kid Gloves, a pair 39c.

200 pairs of Hatch's best $1 kid gloves, our price a pair for any size or color **39c**

Corsets.

All of Hatch's $1.25 and $1 corsets, all the very best styles and makes, our price **39c**

200 pairs of Hatch's 8½c ladies' hose, our price a pair **2½c**

500 pairs of ladies' very nice fast black seamless hose, Hatch's price 15c a pair. Our price **8½c**

Misses' very handsome all silk hose Hatch's price 75c and $1. Our price a pair **25c**

Several other bargains in Hosiery—come and get them at half price.

Bargains Beyond All Bargains.

Hatch's 200 yard spool cotton, his price 1c, our price.... **1c**

Hatch's 20c leather belts, our price each .. **5c**

Hatch's 5c patent hooks and eyes, our price **1c**

Hatch's 10c knitting silk, our price **2c**

Hatch's 5c paper of safety pins, our price a paper .. **1c**

Hatch's 10c purses, our price **3c**

Hatch's 10c and 15c corset clasps, our price **5c**

Hatch's 10c Castile olive soap, our price **4c**

Hatch's 10 honeycomb infants' bibs, our price **2c**

Hatch's 10c finishing brands, our price each **3c**

Hatch's 15c side combs, our price a pair **5c**

Thousands of other bargains.

Trimming Braid.

Hatch's beautiful trimming braids that sold for 5c, 7½c and 10c, our price a yard. **1c**

Hatch's 15c, 20c and 25c trimming brands our price. **5c**

Hatch's 35c and 40c trimming brands our price **10c**

Ready Made Skirts.

Hatch's $2.50 ready made skirts for **$1.49**

Hatch's $5 ready made skirts for **$2.98**

Hatch's $7.50 and $8.50 ready made skirts for **$3.98**

Hatch's $9.50 and $10 ready made love silk crepon skirts for **$6.98**

$1 Shirt Waists, 29c.

500 dozen of Hatch's $1 handsome shirt waists, with detachable collars, all new and clean, our price **29c**

New Lovely Tailor Made Suits.

We are now daily receiving the very latest and swellest effects in new spring tailor made suits. A visit to this department will indeed pay you.

Cloaks! Cloaks! Cloaks!

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65 very nice Children's Reefer Jackets, Hatch's price $1.50, $1.75 and $1.98. As long as they last your choice for **50c**

For $1.98.

75 handsome Ladies' Black Jackets all new and up to date styles, regular price in every store in Decatur, $5.00 to $6.00. Come and take your choice for **$1.95**

For $2.98.

50 beautiful Jackets, all new and up to date styles never before shown for less than $5.00 to $10.00, our price for your choice of the entire lot **$2.95**

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Forecast of coming visitors appears in the mere act of a cup and in the way the candle burns. The floating stick in the teacup tells the approach of a visitor, and is carefully pitched to see if its softness indicates a woman or its hardness a man. If a red speck is seen in the flame of the candle it is a sure sign of a visit, and that the housewife immediately sets her house in order.

One curious practice still largely in vogue in out of the way districts of leafy Warwickshire is that known as the tree cure, in the efficacy of which the natives hold an unshakable faith. Any weakly child, but more especially those suffering from the rickets, is a proper subject for the tree cure. The child is brought to the foot of a twin ash or, better still, to a tree with a cleft in it, and is then passed through the cleft by those in charge of it, in the full and firm conviction that the contact with the tree will strengthen him and cause his bones to grow together and set hard.

Don't get scared when your heart troubles you. Most likely you suffer from indigestion. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure digests what you eat. It will cure every form of Dyspepsia. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, C. F. Shilling, Last End Drug Store.

S. D. Talbert of Omaha, Col., patentee of the Talbert Combination Bicycle lock, is in the city on business with Mr. Goode, manager of the Decatur Patent Exchange.

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Men's Overcoats and Ulsters, $3.00 and up.
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Boys' Long Pants Suits, $2.50 and up.
Boys' Knee Pant Suits, $1.50 and up
Boys' Overcoats, $1.25 and up.
UNDERWEAR LOWER THAN ANYBODY.
Winter Caps, 15c, 25c, 50c and up.

Everything Goes
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We manufacture Men's Working Clothing in sizes that cannot be found elsewhere.

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...AT IF NOT MIRACLES?

... doing work wherever introduced as nearly miraculous of any human agency to do (I will esteem it a favor ... the persons whose names appear below or any one among these testimonials) convince the public of my sincerity and of the true merits of this remedy.

THE RACE, ... TIMES' ... day ... to write ... Court of ... Thursday, ... Found ... just before ... slept the ... My life not ... believe before ... Editor.

UNBROKEN REST AT NIGHT.

J. B. HUDING, Manager, Office Commercial Printing Co., 190 South Clark St. Chicago, Nov. 24, '94.

R. R. Phelps, Esq., City.

DEAR SIR—I wish to bear testimony to the great efficacy of your "Four C" remedy in throat and lung ailments. As a rule I have been skeptical of the merits of proprietary medicines, but have to confess that a test of your "Four C" is convincing that at least one ready made remedy is worth y of use. My children all take it without the least objection, from eldest to youngest, and is particularly noticeable that benefit is almost immediate. A single dose will check most coughs in their beginning, it gives an unbroken rest at night. In my family "Four C" is simply indispensable and I recommend it unqualifiedly.

Yours, J. B. HUDING.

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For years back each winter I have suffered with acute laringitis. Last winter was so bad I could not leave my room for two weeks or could not speak above a whisper. I tried every known cough preparation from cough drops up and down with no relief, then in desperation I was induced to try Phelps' "Four-C." The first dose relieved my cough, giving me the first rest for weeks. Half the bottle cured me. I have never been without this wonderful remedy since. It is as different from other like remedies as molasses from vinegar or sugar from sand.

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Illinois Central Excursion to Sioux Falls, S. D.

On account of annual convention National Creamery Butter makers Association the Illinois Central will sell tickets to Sioux Falls at one fare for the round trip. Dates of sale, January 31 to 41 inclusive final return limit, January 31st. Information in regard to this excursion and tickets can be had at Union Depot and City Office, 121 East William street.

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C. C. McCARTY, D. P. A., St. Louis, Mo.
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Executor's Sale of Real Estate.

Public notice is hereby given that I, as executor of the last Will and Testament of Susannah Bushart will, on Saturday, the 28th day of January, 1899, at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., at the north door of the court house in Decatur, in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder, the real estate owned by the said Susannah Bushart at the time of her death, to-wit: The west half of the southeast quarter of section 32, township 16 north, range 4 east of the 3d p. m., (lying one-half mile east of the village of Casner.) Also Lots Twenty-one, Twenty-two, Twenty-three and Twenty-four in Block Two of the Village of Casner, also the undivided half of the following described real estate, to-wit: Lot Six and the east half of Lot Seven, all in Block Eight of Riverside Place, Decatur.

All of said property is very desirable but must be sold to close up the estate.

TERMS OF SALE.—One-half cash in hand on day of sale and one-half on the first day of July, 1899, the deferred payments to be secured by first mortgage on the premises sold, and bearing interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum, or the purchaser can pay all cash on day of sale if so desired.

Abstracts of said premises can be examined at my office in the court house.

Dated at Decatur, Ill., December 29, 1899.

ANDREW H. MILLS, Executor.
Dec. 29-dtd

Master in Chancery's Sale.

State of Illinois, Macon County, ss.

In the Circuit Court.

William L. Hammer et al, complainant, vs. Mildred T. Hammer et al, defendants—In Chancery, No. 19 849.

Public notice is hereby given, that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county, in the state of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the October term of said court A. D. 1898, I, James J. Finn, master in chancery of said court, will on

Wednesday, February 8, 1899,

at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the city of Decatur, in said county offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows to-wit: Lots five (5) six (6), seven (7), in block one (1) of Kanan's Addition to the City of Decatur, in Macon county Illinois.

Terms of Sale—One third cash in hand on day of sale, one-third in 6 months and one-third in twelve months, with interest on deferred payments at the rate of 6 per cent per annum the said deferred payments being secured by personal security and a first mortgage on the premises sold or the purchaser shall have the right to pay all cash on day of sale.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 9th day of January A. D. 1899.

JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.
Mills Bros. Complainants' Solicitors.
jan 9-dtw

Administratrix's Sale of Land.

Notice is hereby given, that I will as administratrix of the estate of James Withgott deceased, at the north door of the court house, in the city of Decatur, Macon county, Illinois, at the hour of 10 o'clock in the forenoon of

Thursday, Feb. 2, 1899,

sell at public vendue to the highest bidder, certain premises situated in the county of Macon and State of Illinois and described as follows, to-wit:

An undivided one-half interest in the north half of the northeast quarter of the northwest quarter of section thirty-three (33) in township sixteen (16) north, range three (3) east of the third principal meridian.

That said premises will be sold for cash in hand.

That such sale will be made by virtue of an order and decree of the county court of Macon county, Illinois, pronounced at the January term A. D. 1899, in the matter of the administration of said estate.

Dated this 4th day January, A. D. 1899.

MARTHA A. WITHGOTT,
Administratrix of the Estate of James Withgott, Deceased. jan 4 d4w

Executor's Notice.

Estate of Joseph P. Smallwood, Deceased

The undersigned having been appointed executor of the estate of Joseph P. Smallwood late of the county of Macon, and State of Illinois, deceased hereby gives notice that he will appear before the county court of Macon county at the court house in Decatur, at the March term on the first Monday in March next at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 5th day of January 1899.

ORVILLE B. GORIN, Executor.
W. T. Cussins, Attorney. jan 5-d4w

NOTICE

Of Reduction of Capital Stock of Decatur Furniture Company.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

Notice is hereby given that at a meeting of the stockholders of said Company, held upon the 27th day of December, A. D. 1898 the stock of said Company was reduced as provided by statute from $15,000 to $7,000.

Dated this 27th day of December A. D. 1898.

THE DECATUR FURNITURE COMPANY
By JOHN B. PRESTLEY, Secretary.
Dec. 29 d4w

Tickets to New York and Philadelphia, via National Capital.

Commencing at once the Vandalia-Pennsylvania Lines will sell tickets to Philadelphia and New York via Washington D. C., at the same rate as apply over direct lines of the Pennsylvania and allow Ten Days' stop over at Washington. For further information apply to W. L. Smith at Union depot or J. C. Millspaugh telephone 1-51. jan 11-d10t

I., D. & W. Railway Excursions.

The I., D. & W. railroad will sell excursion tickets at greatly reduced rates to the following meetings:

Home seekers excursions to principal points in the south, on the first Tuesday of each month. Good returning every Tuesday or Friday for twenty-one days. One fare plus $2 for round trip.

One way settlers' tickets sold to the South on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at greatly reduced rates.

For full information regarding dates of sale limits of tickets, rate, maps and descriptive advertising matter write or apply to C. A. Pollock Ticket Agent I. D. & W. Railroad, Decatur, Ill.

Personally Conducted Pullman Tourist Sleeping Car to California

leaves Chicago every Monday on the Centrals' fast "New Orleans Limited" and runs through to San Antonio and San Francisco, via New Orleans in connection with the Southern Pacific Co. The Limited also connects at New Orleans daily with express train for the Pacific Coast at 6 o'clock on Mondays and Thursdays at New Orleans with the Sunset Limited of the Southern Pacific, giving special through service to San Francisco.

HOMESEEKERS EXCURSIONS SOUTH—Tickets to certain points south of the line of the Illinois Central and V. & M. V. R. R., will be sold from Decatur station on Tuesday, December 20, at the rate of one fare plus $2.00 for the round trip. For a Free Copy of the 1898 edition of the Homeseeker's Guide, describing the advantages and resources of the south, address J. T. Merry, A. G. P. A., I. C. R. R. Dubuque, Iowa. For information regarding lands in Southern Illinois or in the famous Yazoo Valley of Mississippi, address E. P. Skene, Land Commissioner, I. C. R. R., Chicago.

HOMESEEKERS EXCURSIONS WEST—On December 20, 1898 Homeseekers Excursion tickets will be sold from Decatur station to all points on the Illinois Central in South Dakota, Minnesota and in Iowa west of and including Ackley, as far as LeMars, and to Waverly and points north at one fare plus $2.00 for the round trip, return limit good for 21 days.

VANDALIA EXCURSIONS.

The Vandalia Railroad will sell excursion tickets at greatly reduced rates to the following meetings:

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MACON COUNTY, } Court

Daniel Stookey, Complainant, vs. John L. Connelly et al., Defendants. In Chancery. No 19918.

Public notice is hereby given, that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county, in the state of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the October term of said court, A. D. 1898, I, James J. Finn, Master in Chancery of said court will on

Monday, the 13th day of February, 1899

at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m. at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit:

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R. R. TIME TABLES.

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TO CHICAGO.

No. 12—Daily ... 1 10 a m
No 16 Daily except Sunday ... 9 25 a m
No. 14—Daily ... 11.42 a m

TO ST. LOUIS.

No. 5—Fast Mail, Daily ... 11:46 p m
No. 1 Daily ... 3.40 a m
No. 9—St Louis Accomm, Daily ... 7 10 a m
No 7 Continental Limited Daily ... 4 05 p m
No. 21—St. Louis Express, ex Sun ... 4:32 p m
No. 7 Kansas City Ex, Daily ... 7 30 p m

TO TOLEDO AND BUFFALO.

No. 6—Fast Mail, Daily ... 5 48 a m
No 16 Danville Accom, Daily ... 9 25 a m
No. 24 Except Sunday ... 11 03 a m
No. 4—Continental Limited, Daily ... 11 37 a m
No. 10—Lafayette Accom., ex. Sun ... 4 35 p m
No. 2—N. Y. Limited, Daily ... 11 51 p m

TO QUINCY AND HANNIBAL.

No. 8 K. C. Express, Daily ... 3 50 a m
No 14—Clayton Accom, Daily ... 7 20 a m
No. 4 Daily ex Sun ... 11 03 a m
No 1 Daily ... 1 15 p m
No. 17 To Springfield, daily ... 7.40 p m

FROM CHICAGO.

No 11 Daily ... 3 25 a m
No. 11—Limited Daily ... 8 54 p m
No 17 Daily, except Sunday ... 7 35 p m

FROM ST. LOUIS.

No. 12—Night Express Daily ... 1 00 a m
No. 6 East Mail, Daily ... 5.23 a m
No 24 Daily, except Sunday ... 10 55 a m
No. 4 Continental Limited Daily ... 11 34 a m
No. 10 St. Louis Accom., Daily ... 9 10 p m
No 2—N. Y. Limited Daily ... 11 46 p m

FROM TOLEDO.

No. 5 Fast Mail, Daily ... 11 42 p m
No. 8 Limited, Daily ... 3.15 a m
No. 21 Except Sunday ... 3 45 p m
No. 1 Continental Limited, Daily ... 4 00 p m
No. 7 St. Louis Through Ex Daily 7 17 p m

FROM QUINCY AND HANNIBAL.

No. 16—From Springfield, Daily ... 9 15 a m
No 1 Express, Daily ... 10 55 a m
No 10 From Springfield, ex Sun ... 4 30 p m
No. 20 From Clayton, Daily ... 9 50 p m
No 2—From Kansas City, Daily ... 11 05 p m

Illinois Central.

Corrected to Dec 28, 1898

No 118 to Chicago via Clinton & Gilman ... *1 52 a. m.
No. 120 to Chicago via Clinton & Gilman ... *3 5 p. m.
No. 704 to Chicago via Champaign ... *5 45 a. m.
No. 108 Main Line North ... *11 40 a. m.
No. 126 Main Line North ... †5 45 p. m.
No. 702 Champaign Line Mixed leaves ... *1 p m
No 197 ... top ... †1 p m
No. 117 Diamond Special to St. Louis via Pana ... *1 24 a. m
No. 119 Daylight Special to St. Louis via Pana ... *5.5 p. m.
No. 125 Main Line South to Cairo ... *12 22 a. m.
No. 1 Main Line South to Cairo ... *1:15 p. m.
No. 193 Local Freight South ... † 7 45 a. m
No. 703 from Chicago via Champaign, arrives ... *1 15 p m
No. 701 from Champaign Mixed Train arrives ... † 11 55 a. m.

*—Daily. †—Daily Except Sunday.

PEORIA, DECATUR & EVANSVILLE RY.

Arrive from Peoria	Arrive from Evansville
A No. 1 ... 10 35 a. m.	A No. 2 ... 2 50 p. m
D No 3 ... 10 0 p. m.	A No. 4 ... 6 25 a. m
A No. 11 ... 2 30 p. m	S No 36 ... 7 10 a. m
Depart for Peoria	**Depart for Evansville**
A No. 2 ... 3 00 p m	A No. 1 ... 10 45 a. m.
A No. 4 ... 6 35 a. m	D No. 3 ... 10 20 p. m.
S No. 36 ... 7.20 a. m.	A No 11 ... 3 05 p. m.
A No. 10 ... 10 35 a. m	

"A"—Daily Except Sunday. "D"—Daily. "S"—Sunday Only.

Vandalia Line.

In effect Oct 1, 1893.

DEPARTS EAST.

No 84—Freight, ex. Sunday ... 6:35 a m
No. 12—Except Sunday ... 7:40 a m
No. 6—Except Sunday ... 8:25 p m

FROM TERRE HAUTE.

No. 7—Except Sunday ... 10 45 a m
No. 83—Freight, ex. Sunday ... 5.00 p m
No. 21—Except Sunday ... 7.05 p m

DEPARTS WEST.

No. 5—Ex. Sunday ... 7:00 a m
No. 85—Freight, ex. Sunday ... 7:50 a m
No. 7—Ex. Sunday ... 10:55 a m

FROM PEORIA.

No. 6—Ex Sunday ... 3.20 p m
No. 86—Freight ex. Sunday ... 4 10 p m
No. 4—Ex. Sunday ... 9:30 p m

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No. 1 Pass.	*2 25 p m	No. 4 Pass.	*11:10 p m
No. 3 Pass.	*8 45 a m	No. 2 Pass.	11:00 a m
" 7	10:00 a m	" 10	14:15 p m
" 9	18 00 p m	" 8	10 00 a m

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The Wabash railroad will organize and run two personally conducted thirty day tours of Mexico, leaving Decatur Jan. 19 and Feb. 28 at 4.40 p. m. via Wabash railroad and leaving St. Louis the same evening via the Iron Mountain at 8.15 p. m. with Pullman sleeping and dining cars. The tours are first class in every respect. Cliff P. Barrett will escort both parties as representative of the Mexican National railroad having been ticket agent for that company in the City of Mexico for nearly ten years and is thoroughly posted on the country. The price from Decatur is $219.40. Call at city office for itinerary.

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Berry Sets.	Vegetable Forks.
Tomato Servers.	Cracker Scoops.
Pie Knives.	Carving Sets.
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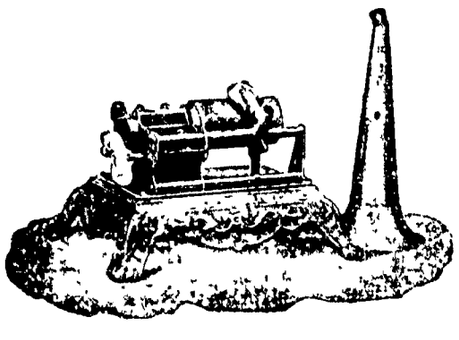

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LOCAL NEWS.

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Special communication of Macon Lodge No 8 A F and A M this (Wednesday) evening at 7 30 o'clock for work Members of Ionic Lodge and visiting brethren are cordially invited J W Graves, W M, Guy P Lewis Secretary

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Amsbary Will Return.

Walter Bruce Amsbary the reader and reciter who was so favorably received in his work with the Isham Comedy company at the Christian tabernacle on last Thursday evening writes to his friend R C Augustine of this city that he will fill a date for an evening in this city some time in March or April if the arrangements can be made

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CARNIVAL OPENED

Address by Mayor Taylor and Capt. Geo. Durfee.

THE ATTENDANCE IS GOOD

Continuous Vaudeville a Great Attraction—Dinner and Supper To-Day — Description of the Booths.

The formal opening of the Paper Carnival at the Linn & Scruggs building at 8 o'clock last evening took place in the midst of a crowd that comfortably filled the building

Mayor's Address.

Following the selection by the band Mayor Taylor made a characteristic address, commending the ladies of the Dorcas society for their patriotism and enterprise and pledged his hearty co operation in the work of raising money for the purpose of erecting the monument to Macon county's soldiers who fought in the war of 1860 to 1865, and also in the late Hispano American war His address was received with thunderous applause He said

Ladies and Gentlemen and Citizens of Decatur As I understands the object of this Paper Carnival is for the purpose of raising money to erect a monument to the memory of the G A R, also to commemorate the birthplace of the Grand Army of the Republic A society of ladies, known as the Dorcas society have started in this enterprise and now have in their treasury, I have been informed about $400 and seeing the necessity of having more people interested in this public enterprise, have invited a number of other societies in with them in the city and county to help them This is handled principally by the ladies, and with them at the head of any enterprise, there will surely be no question as to the success and that we will soon obtain money enough to erect a monument that we will all have reason to be proud of, so long as we live as well as those that follow To day is Grand Army day, tomorrow will be Military day and the next day will be Wabash day and every day is a day for us all

I thank you for the pleasure of having been invited to address you upon this occasion and I am always willing and ready to help any enterprise for public good One cannot help many, but many can help one So my friends if we all pull together then will be no difficulty in raising in a very short time the required amount of money to erect a monument to the brave soldiers of '60 to '65 who saved our country, as well as to the brave soldier boys that went into the late Spanish war

We owe to these brave soldiers who risked their lives for their country a debt that we never will be able to pay but we can erect a monument

Captain Durfee responded in much the same strain as the Mayor had spoken He indorsed the motive of the carnival and expressed himself as very much ashamed of the fact that Macon county had no monument to commemorate the brave deeds of her soldiers He believed there should be a monument that would stand as a lesson to the children and the children's children of the soldiers He complimented the ladies on their earnest efforts and pledged the support and co operation of the members of the G A R

Captain Durfee's speech was followed by selections from the band and the parade of nations The patriotic school children sang several songs during the evening and the band rendered a number of appropriate selections From the standpoint of good attendance the opening night was a success

The booth attracted a good share of attention and patronage One of the popular booths is the Olden Time and Mystery booth which is in charge of Mrs Damrow and Mrs McCune The quaint fire place in the booth is hung with dried apples pumpkin corn and all the paraphernalia of an old fashioned kitchen There is an ancient spinning wheel about 150 years old bellows and tea pot over 100 years old and several other antediluvian articles

The country store and the postoffice is one of the booths that is particularly interesting to the young men

THE VAUDEVILLE

Madame Shalshi Jessie Miller Professor Alessandro Pony Biltcliffe Kavanaugh Marlowe and Labor Barney Fagan and Henrietta Brown were the center of attraction last evening In the northeast corner of the building a miniature stage was curtained off and the above named celebrities did their turns in dialect songs character sketches dancing etc last evening with all the assurance of professionals The performances were meritorious and attracted the entire crowd to that corner of the building The same company will appear in an entire change of program this evening Fred Church is the pianist

FORT MANILA

The interest that centers in the Manila booth is proof positive that the interest in the late war has not died out The relics that are on exhibition from Porto Rico and Cuba are inspected with the greatest enthusiasm by the crowds Among these relics are the sword of a Spanish officer who was an ajutant in the 12th battalion and was killed at the battle of Abioneta Pass, Spanish saddle bags, Spanish knapsack, pieces of the surrender tree (this is the tree under which Hobson and his men were returned to the American general and also under which General Torrell of the Spanish army delivered his sword to General Shafter, barb wire fences have been built around it to protect it from relic hunters and there is a fine of $100 for touching it or trying to secure a piece of it), a piece of the barb wire trocha at San Juan hill mess pan found on San Juan hill, bullets, shells etc, fancy cover from a Spanish officer's horse, sponges in their rough state that were picked up on Light House Island, five miles from Ponce Porto Rico, shells and coral from this same island, Cuban and Porto Rico papers, Porto Rico hats, neckties and other articles of wearing apparel (These were secured at a great risk, as it is well known that the articles of wearing apparel are decidedly scarce in Port Rico) The exhibit is in charge of Clarke Bury, who secured many of them at a risk of his life There are also a number of buttons such as are worn by the civil and national government officials in Porto Rico

DEUTSCHER DORF

The German booth is surrounded by a little crowd all its own which is intensely interested in this bit of the Fatherland An old cockoo clock of ancient German make hangs on the wall, some old fashioned pipes a music box, an old Bible issued in 1731 the property of Mrs Rohn, are among the relics Sauer Kraut, Frankfurters Roggenbrode, "Switzer Case, Sandwiches and Coffee are served by Frau Rhor and Fraulein Gravenhorst Not the least by any means of the attractions is the little German band

PAPER BOOTH

The novelties at the paper booth are really worth the admission they call forth There are flowers that look natural as life, jewel boxes and pin cushions sofa pillows and a number of other useful articles

The patriotic school children's booth is in charge of Misses Josie Epler, Sadie Brinkmeyer and Cora Downing

IRISH BOOTHS

The cool green and white of the Irish booth is a fitting background for the bottles of soft drinks, the ice cream and lemonade glasses stand ready for the thirsty and hungry customer The decorations are the work of S D McKenny of Bradley Bros and are artistic and appropriate

ADDITIONAL DONATIONS

George W Meyer donated a stand, the Stewart Dry Goods company a silk umbrella and the Chamberlain Tent and Awning company a down pillow

TALK IT OUT

Speaker Sherman Wants Free Expression on Legislation

SPRINGFIELD, ILL, January 25—Street car legislation and debate is to have the right of way in the House so says Speaker Sherman and further all matters pertaining to important legislation will be fully discussed before other bills are even called from committee Speaker Sherman has openly invited every one interested in street car legislation, either for or against to come to Springfield and talk it out before the House of Representatives He holds that so far as he can he will allow every person an opportunity to be heard on the floor of the House or before committees on matters pertaining to important legislation This action of the speaker has caused a sensation It is the first time in the history of the Illinois Legislature that any speaker has been so open and above board in his policy

Dangerously Ill

Mrs M J Holland is dangerously ill at her home on East Main street Her friends and relatives are much alarmed about her condition she has been confined to her bed for a week and unless there is a change for the better very soon her recovery will be doubtful

The Play

It was standing room only in the bleachery and gallery at the Grand last night while the lower floor seats were well filled, one of the largest audiences of the season to enjoy In Old Kentucky It was a good company and the play was enthusiastically received The special features were the band of young colored boys in musical and dancing numbers

Born.

To Mr and Mrs Joseph Mann of South Decatur on Sunday January 22 a daughter

To Mr and Mrs Daniel Hanman of 651 East Prairie street on Tuesday January 24 a daughter

STILL QUIET

Expected Attack on Negroes Delayed.

SHUMWAY ON THE SITUATION

Taylorville Senator Will Propose Legislative Inquiry to Settle the Pana Strike Difficulty Shot at a Soldier.

SPRINGFIELD, January 25 The coal mining trouble at Pana is likely to get into the Legislature once Senator J N C Shumway of Taylorville, said last night he has in mind a resolution providing for a legislative inquiry The matter is of deep concern to him

Senator Shumway stated he would have asked the aid of the legislature in the Pana case before this but for the fact that he has not been inclined to interfere with the duties of the local authorities He now thinks however, that the situation warrants legislative intervention, and that the Assembly would be justifiable in taking some action to bring the strike business to a close

The operators, it is contended would listen to legislators when they would listen to no one else but there is likely to be legislation proposed here which would affect the business, and because of which they would want the legislative good word

In the event that an effort at compromise should fail, it is difficult to understand what a legislative committee could accomplish As hereto fore intimated in these dispatches, the governor may act at any moment without waiting for the Assembly but if he should indicate that it would uphold him there would be no question about the governor laying a heavy hand on Pana

Capt L H D Couch, commanding Company L, 5th Infantry, on duty at Pana, was here yesterday He called upon Governor Tanner and Adjutant General Reece, but nothing that was said was given out for publication Captain Couch intimated that the governor gave him new instructions relative to his duties there, but would say nothing about their import He says Sheriff Downey is doing nothing whatever to relieve the situation He would say nothing as to whether or not more troops would be sent to Pana

Shot at a Guard.

PANA ILL, January 25 Sam Carter of Company L barely escaped with his life late last night While on patrol duty about 10 o'clock on the Big Four railroad he ordered an unknown party to halt The fellow had a rifle and was running He refused to halt and Sergeant Carter fired at him with a revolver The fellow turned long enough to take deliberate aim and fired the ball singed Carter's scalp entering the front and going out at the top of his head A half inch nearer would have been death This is the fifth time that soldiers have been fired upon since martial law went into effect

It is expected that Company L of Taylorville will arrive in this city soon for guard duty

NAT GOODWIN'S LUCK.

CHICAGO January 25 John N Wellman a Chicago newspaper man yesterday in the federal court gave a verdict of $10,000 against Nat Goodwin the actor for infringing on Maxwell's play of Congress Wellman claimed that he submitted a play of Congress to Goodwin after looking it over declared that he did not want it but later produced a play called Ambition, of which he Guy Carleton was named as author and large portions of which were according to Maxwell from Congress

Postponed.

Owing to the many attractions this week ladies night at the Decatur has been postponed

Of Shakespeare's great characters Hamlet speaks 1569 lines Iago Othello 888 and Lear 670

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